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Being a Collection of Cartoons which tell the Life-Story, in Picture Form, of many of Trenton's Foremost and Busiest Citizens

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HARRY B. SALTER

Through the courtesy of the proprietors of The Sunday Advertiser and William E. Pedrick, I have been enabled to gather together many of the interesting cartoons published for the past three or four years by them of Trenton's prominent men.

The excellence of these sketches and their trueness to life has made them a source of much comment and merriment, and it was with the idea of preserving them to future generations of those depicted that this book was issued.

The edition consists of one hundred and twenty-five copies, of which this is No.....

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FERDINAND W. ROEBLING.

Mr. Roebling is perhaps the most widely known citizen of Trenton. A member of the celebrated Roebling family, famous the world over as engineers and bridge builders, and head of the firm known as the John A. Roebling's Sons Company. This great industry is the backbone of Trenton's prosperity. Thousands of citizens find employment here and it is estimated that upwards of thirty thousand of our people depend upon these mills for support.

Mr. Roebling has always been interested in the welfare of his home city. He has never accepted public office, although active in the councils of the Republican party, beyond that of Public Library Commissioner, which occupation is one of his hobbies.

Mr. Roebling was at the head of the commission which erected the Public Library and is today President of the City Hall Commission. His practical knowledge of things pertaining to buildings and their construction is an assurance that the new municipal building will be one equal to the best to be found.

He is also connected with numerous other corporations, chief of which is the Trenton Street Railway Company.

Notwithstanding his many business connections, Mr. Roebling passes many pleasant hours in recreation, and during these moments he can generally be found entertaining his many friends at the Country Club, of which organization he was the prime promoter.

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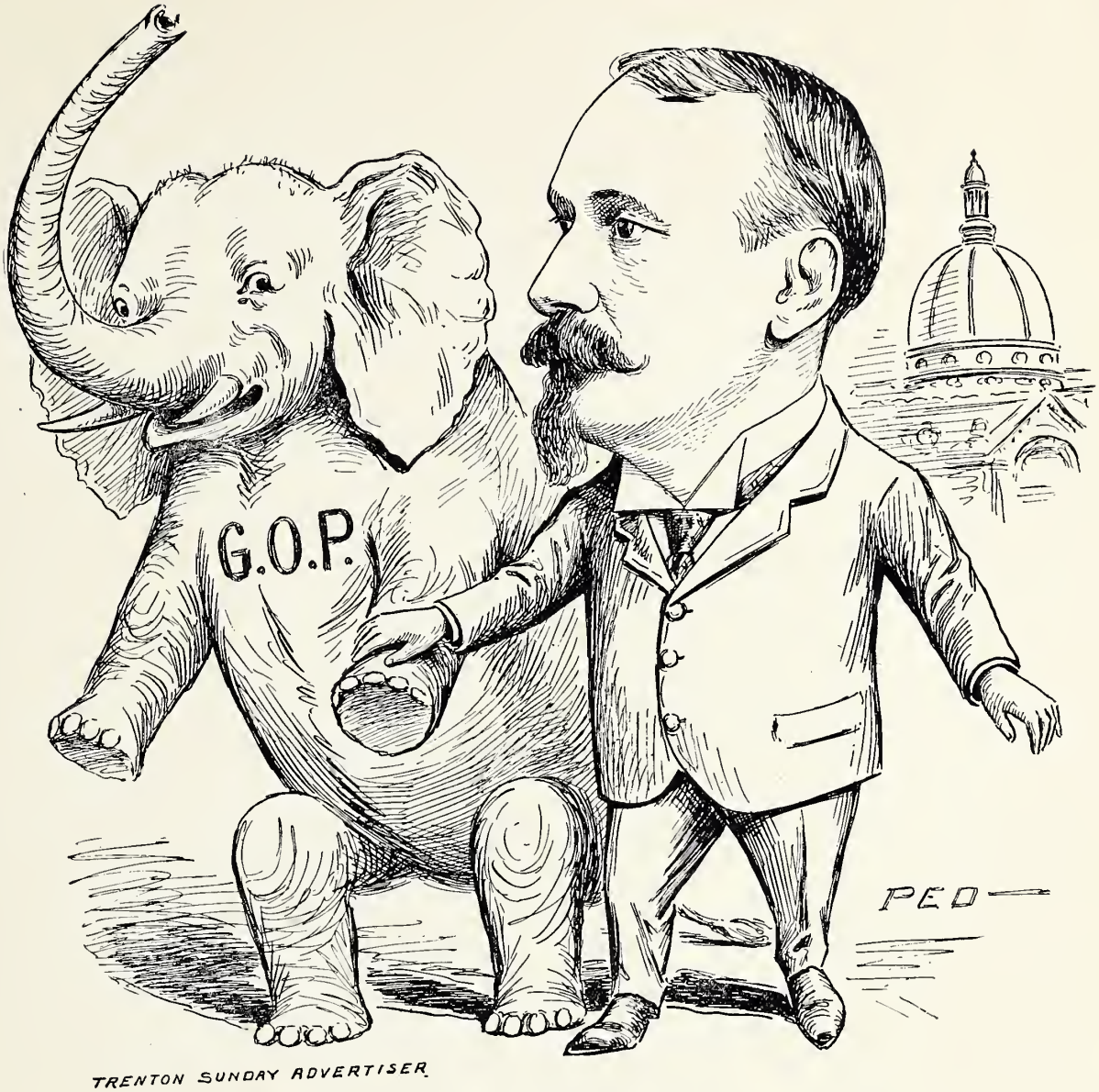
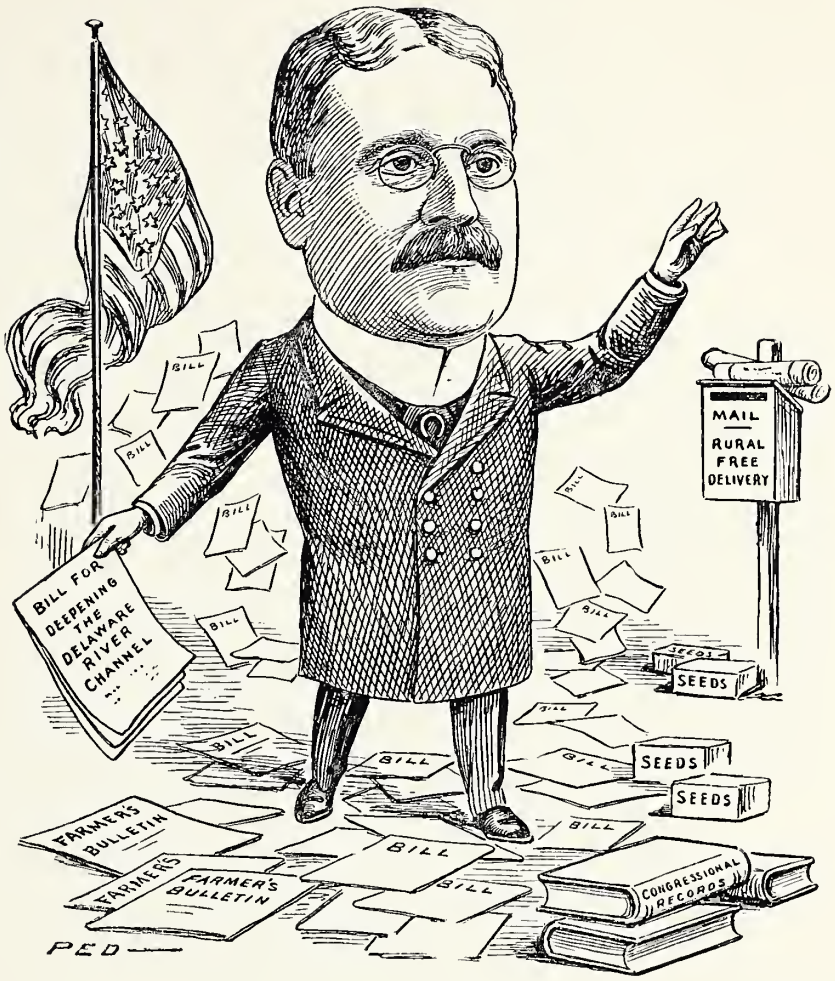


FRANKLIN O. BRIGGS.

Mr. Briggs is accounted Trenton's most distinguished citizen. He was elected United States Senator in 1907, at a time when he held the responsible position of State Treasurer. The election of Mr. Briggs to this high office was not without some surprise, as his selection was somewhat in the nature of a compromise, it having been made evident that Senator John F. Dryden could not be elected, and rather than see a deadlock, the Senator withdrew from the contest and threw all his strength to Mr. Briggs, resulting in the latter's election.

Mr. Briggs was Mayor of Trenton for two years, and his defeat for re-election, some people declare, was the means of getting him deeper into politics, with the result that he is now considered one of the most successful State leaders. Senator Briggs was chairman of the Republican State Committee during the campaign when Edward C. Stokes was elected Governor, and for three years thereafter, during which period he exhibited his ability as a leader and adviser as to political measures and policies.

Mr. Briggs was born in New Hampshire in 1851, and graduated from West Point in the class of 1872. He is treasurer of the John A. Roebling's Sons Company. He was Mayor of Trenton from 1899 to 1902.

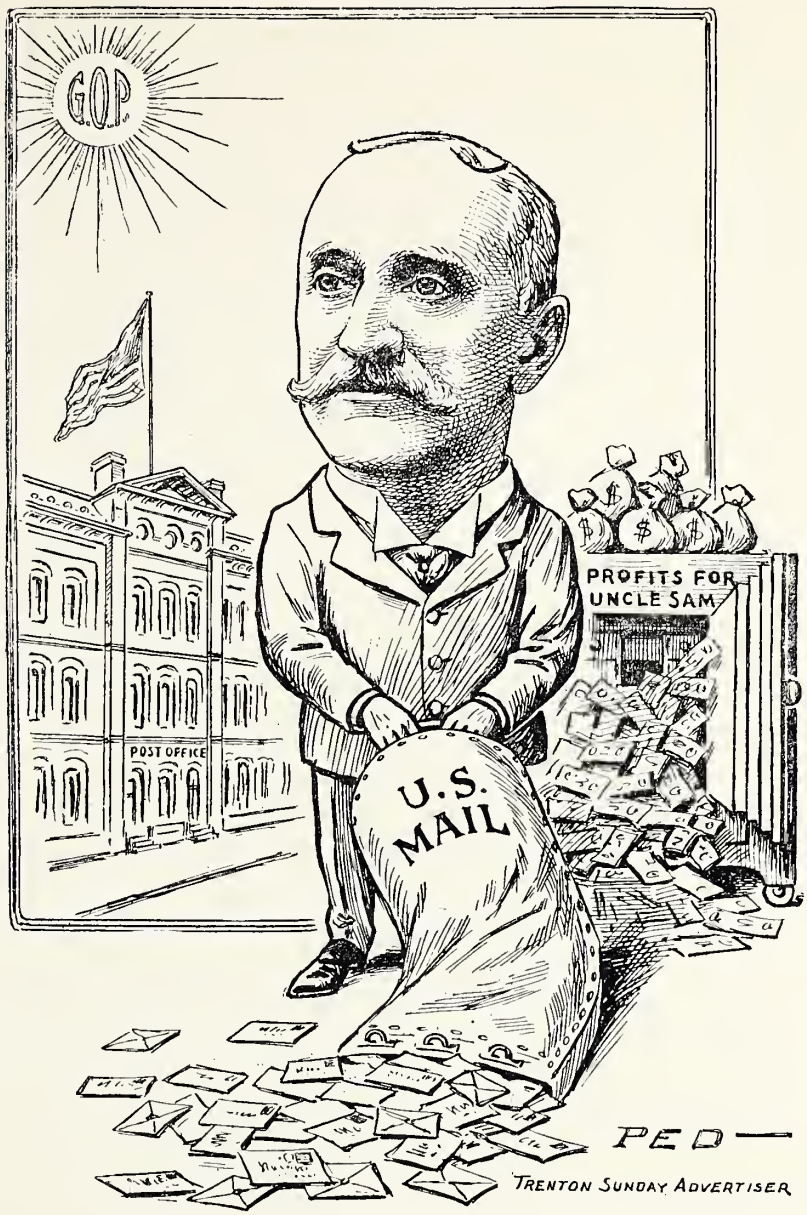


IRA WELLS WOOD.

Mr. Wood is Congressman from the Fourth New Jersey District, which is composed of the counties of Mercer, Somerset and Hunterdon. He was elected a member of the fifty-eighth Congress in 1904 to succeed Hon. William M. Lanning, and re-elected in 1906. During the two terms which he has served in Congress, Mr. Wood has demonstrated that in him the district has a representative who, to use a popular phrase, is "always on the job."

Through his activity Congress appropriated a large sum of money for the removal of Perriwig bar, an accomplishment which many previous Congressmen had sought for in vain. He also secured an appropriation of $125,000 for an addition to the post-office, and an appropriation for the erection of the much-talked-of Princeton battle monument.

Mr. Wood is no novice in politics. He served as a member of Common Council for four years, then two years as a member of the New Jersey House of Assembly, and followed this by election to the House of Representatives. He was born in Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, in 1856; is an alumnus of Princeton University, class of 1877, and is a counsellor-at-law of the New Jersey bar.



ALEXANDER C. YARD.

Postmaster Alexander C. Yard has been in the political game so many years that many of the younger men call him "Pop." He was appointed postmaster of Trenton for the first time by President Harrison in 1889. During Mr. Cleveland's term a Democrat held the position, but when Mr. McKinley was elected in 1896, Mr. Yard's re-appointment soon followed, and he has remained in office ever since. His administration of the office has been characteristic of the man, and there is no office in the United States, under the jurisdiction of the Postmaster-General's department, that has had so many nice things said about it as the Trenton office.

Mr. Yard was at one time City Clerk of Trenton, but that is so long ago that only the old-timers remember it, and beside, "Alex" says the salary was so small and the duties so multifarious that it is well to forget it.

Always a staunch Republican, Mr. Yard has ever been an active worker in all things pertaining to that party. No State or county convention is complete without him, and the Republican Club of Trenton is one of his hobbies. Night and day he has worked for this organization until he was rewarded by seeing his dream come true, an enlarged membership and a handsome $25,000 clubhouse. Mr. Yard is vice president of the organization.

He is also a member of the Masonic Fraternity, and takes much interest in the affairs of this great order.

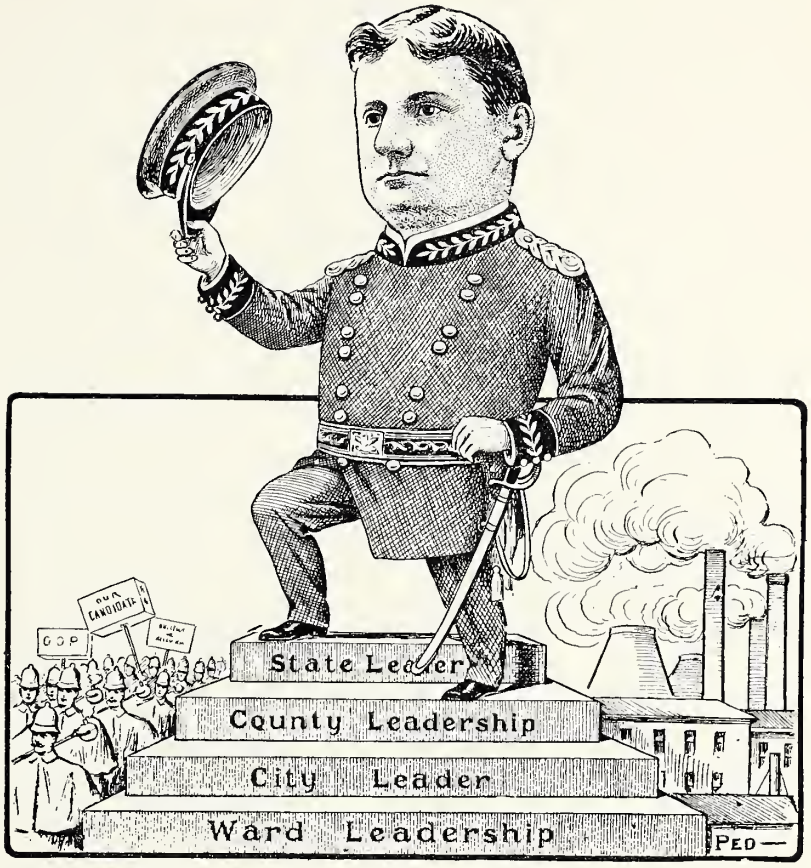
EDWIN R. WALKER.

Mr. Walker's friends have not yet become accustomed to calling him Vice Chancellor. Previous to his appointment to this important judicial position it had always been "Counsellor," but his selection for the Chancery division of the State judiciary has changed the title.

Mr. Walker's elevation was deserved. For years he has been recognized as one of the leading lawyers of the State, and his appointment is but a just recognition of his ability. Mr. Walker was at one time City Counsel of Trenton. He also interested himself in politics, adhering to Democratic doctrines, but subsequent to 1896 his activity has been of a negative quantity.

The cartoon displays Mr. Walker at the time he took up the discussion concerning the founder of Trenton, and at the end of the word battle the Vice Chancellor had lowered the colors of his antagonists.

For a brief period Mr. Walker enjoyed the title of major, and wore with dignity and grace the uniform of the army. He was Judge-Advocate of the Second Regiment for a few months, followed by promotion to the Second Brigade staff in 1907. This position he resigned when appointed Vice Chancellor in 1908.



CHARLES EDWARD MURRAY.

Better known as "Eddie" Murray. For the past three years his friends have been trying to learn to call him "General," but it is mighty hard, and frequently they forget themselves and give him the name he has been known by all his life. This only shows the loyalty and esteem in which he is held by his friends, made so by the bigness of heart and steadfastness of friendship of the subject of this sketch himself.

Mr. Murray is known as one of Trenton's most successful young business men, but more widely known through his activities in politics. To use his own words, "he began politics before he could vote and he has been at it ever since." In 1894 he was elected City Clerk of Trenton, at a time when every office in the city was in control of the Democrats, and from that time he has steadily advanced as a political leader. To-day he is counted among the ablest of State leaders.

In 1904 he declined a fourth term as City Clerk, but did not remain out of political office long, for a few months later he was appointed Quartermaster-General of the State, which position he now holds.

Mr. Murray was born in Lambertville, New Jersey, in 1863, and has resided in Trenton since 1865.

FREDERICK GILKYSON.

This warrior of many wars and Sea Girt camps is here depicted riding his hobby. For years he was never happy unless astride a horse, but now it has ended—alas, alack—he's riding in an automobile. From the first days of his youth Fred. always leaned toward the military, and he entered the State service as soon as he arrived at the legal age—some of his friends say before, but of that, no matter. From a private he rose gradually, step by step, through all the non-commissioned grades and commissioned offices until to-day he is Assistant Adjutant-General of the State, with the rank of Colonel.

Fred. is somewhat of a politician. Quite a runner, in fact. His first dash at holding office was as clerk of the Park Board, but rude Democrats ousted him from office and placed Andrew J. Berrien therein. Then Fred. ran for Receiver of Taxes, was elected twice, ran a third time and was defeated—by Andrew J. Berrien. What irony of fate was this, but——

No sooner did Governor Fort witness Fred.'s lack of occupation than he appointed him State Road Commissioner, a fine position, with a fine term, a fine salary and a fine automobile. His friends have the utmost confidence in his ability to carry out the duties of this office satisfactorily, and he has already shown signs of fulfilling their prophesies.

Mr. Gilkyson served through the Spanish-American war. He is also prominently identified with the Masonic fraternity and the American Canoe Association, beside numerous fraternal and social organizations.

SAMUEL T. ATCHLEY.

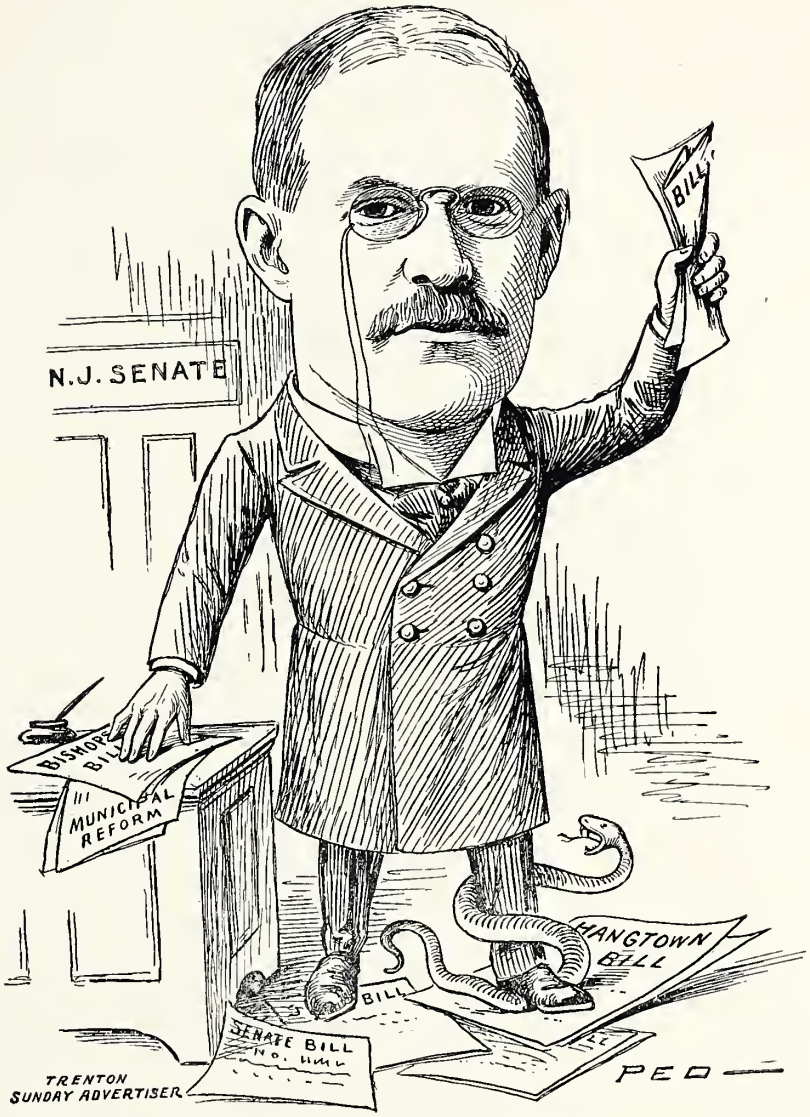
In the rooms of a prominent club in this city hangs a collection of pictures labeled "Retired Politicians," and Mr. Atchley's picture is to be found among them.

Previous to 1907 Mr. Atchley was chairman of the Mercer County Republican Committee; had been Sheriff of Mercer county, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, member of the County Board of Equalization of Taxes, and then some, but during that year he was chosen warden of the New Jersey State Hospital for the Insane, which compelled his departure from the ranks of active political workers.

As Mr. Atchley never does anything by halves, one can well imagine how completely he has dropped politics. His associates regretted his departure in one sense, but were highly pleased in another.

Mr. Atchley was selected to fill this important position at a time when grave conditions existed in this institution, and since he has assumed charge wonderful changes have been made in the system, and he promises more if the Legislature will place the necessary funds at his disposal.

Everybody calls Mr. Atchley "Sam," and he likes it, because he says it makes him feel young again. Once a year he takes a gun and his dog to the wilds of Norlina, where, together with several friends of like spirit, he cavorts like a schoolboy.



BARTON B. HUTCHINSON.

Former Senator Barton B. Hutchinson was born in Allentown, New Jersey, June 10th, 1860. He is a lawyer by profession, and has represented the county of Mercer in both the House and Senate of the New Jersey Legislature. During his term as member of the House of Assembly he was leader of the Republican minority, at a time when the Democratic party was in full control, and his leadership was remarked throughout the State. In 1904 he was elected Senator, and served on many of the most important committees of that body.

GEORGE W. MACPHERSON.

Few men in Trenton have figured so long and continuously and with such success in political life as has the subject of this sketch.

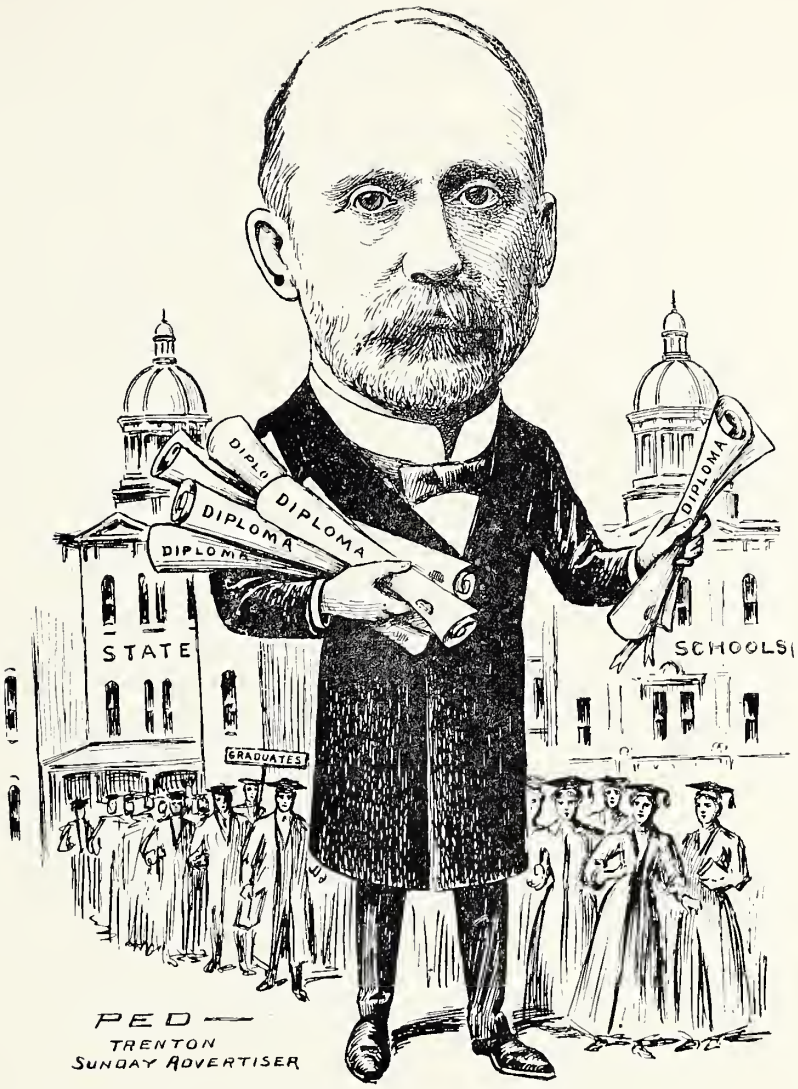
In 1884, six years after his admission to the bar, Judge Macpherson was elected School Commissioner of the city. He served three terms in this capacity, during which period the schools of the city underwent many important changes, and in most of these Judge Macpherson was an active participant.

In 1890 he was elected to represent the First Ward in Common Council, and during his six years' membership he forged to the front as one of the most aggressive and forceful leaders in the body.

In 1896 he was elected a member of the House of Assembly, and upon his re-election in 1897 he was made Speaker of the body, which position he filled with great credit to himself and his county.

For four years he was City Counsel of Trenton, and it was while occupying this position in 1900 that Governor Voorhees appointed him Judge of the District Court for the city of Trenton. He still occupies this position, and his term will expire in 1910.

Judge Macpherson, although having passed through a strenuous political life, has always found a little time to enjoy his hobby. He is fond of all outdoor sports and never misses an opportunity to engage in a game of base ball or run a foot race at the numerous outings of the Republican Club, the Fellowcraft Club and other organizations of which he is a member.



JAMES M. GREEN.

Principal of the State Normal and Model Schools, which position he has held since 1889.

Professor Green is a native Jerseyman, having been born in Morris county in 1851. He entered the Model School in this city in 1867 and graduated in the Normal class in 1870. For four years after graduating he taught school, and after taking a short course in Dickinson College he was made principal of the Long Branch High School.

Professor Green's efforts in educational lines have made him known beyond the borders of his State, and he is sought after by many of the leading educational institutions for lectures and advice on these subjects.

FRANKLIN DYE.

For twenty years or more Mr. Dye has been secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, and it is largely due to his labors that the New Jersey board holds the high place which it does among similar boards of the United States.

Mr. Dye was brought up on a farm in Middlesex county. He was made assistant secretary of the State board in 1886, and a short time later succeeded to the major position, which he still retains.

JOHN TAYLOR.

Every man, woman and child knows the Senator. His name has been identified with Trenton's growth for the past forty years, and he is still counted active, although the allotted three score years and ten have passed over his head.

The Taylor Provision Company, with its trade mark "No Salty Taste," is always associated with the Senator, and the many years during which he has been engaged in business have always found him in a trade similar in character.

Senator Taylor retains the title since he served the county of Mercer in the State Senate in 1881, 1882 and 1883. He has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the Republican party, and has held numerous positions of trust and honor.

The Senator delights to fish, as the cartoon indicates, and he has many remarkable catches to his record—but that's a fish story, and can only be told by the Senator.

BENEDICT C. KUSER.

The youngest of a family known from one end of New Jersey to the other. They call him the "Baby," not because of his size, but from the fact that he is the youngest.

"Ben" is a coal dealer and hotel proprietor as an occupation, and President of the New Jersey Fish and Game Commission as a diversion from business cares.

On January 1st, 1908, Mr. Kuser assumed charge of the well-known Trenton House, and since that time this famous hostelry has put on new life.

The appointment of Mr. Kuser by Governor Stokes to the responsible position of President of the Fish and Game Commission was the recognition of a man who has devoted many years toward the furtherance of clean sport, and the manner in which he has taken hold of affairs clearly indicates that a revolution is taking place in New Jersey fish and game matters.

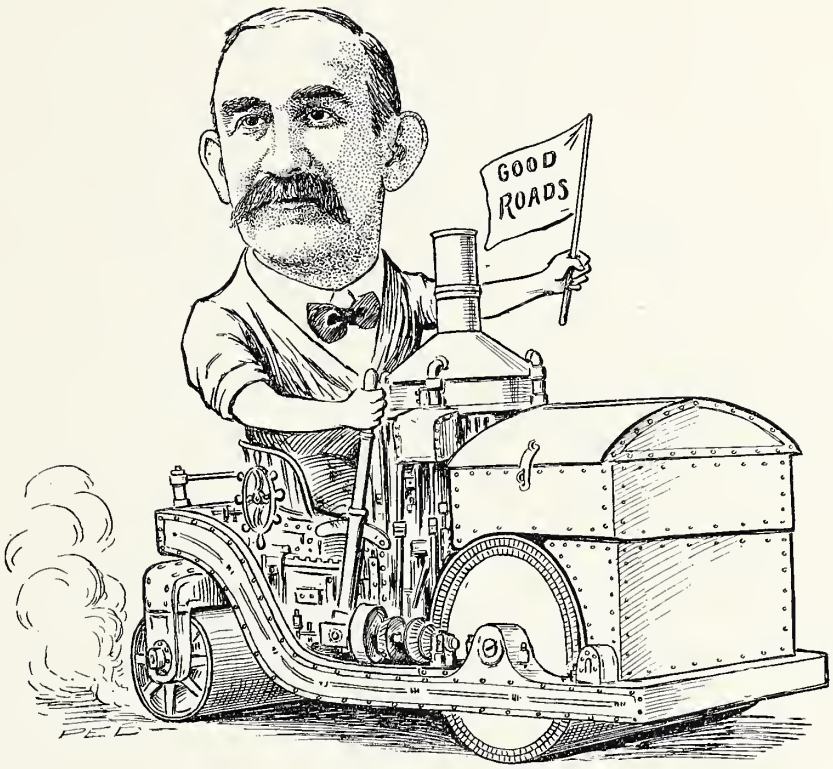
Mr. Kuser is a host *par-excellence*, and he is happiest when surrounded by his friends enjoying the gunning and fishing to be found about his summer camp in Pike county, Pennsylvania.

JAMES E. KERSEY.

Assistant custodian of the keys to the State Prison is what his friends term him, but he is in reality deputy to Prison Keeper George O. Osborne, and a good one he is. Faithfulness to duty has always been his watchword and faithfulness to the Republican party his guiding star.

Mr. Kersey held a position at one time under a Republican administration in the city. At one election the majority of the administration were Democrats, and as James could not agree with his associates, he resigned before the end of his term, thus giving the lie to the old saying concerning politicians, "Few die and none resign."

Mr. Kersey is an active member of many organizations and has been personally responsible for the addition of over one hundred members to the Republican Club.



ELIJAH C. HUTCHINSON.

For a period of four years or more—1904 to 1908—Mr. Hutchinson looked after the good roads system of New Jersey. The cartoon illustrates but part of his duties, for, in addition to running the roller, Mr. Hutchinson had much work in keeping track of the many requests for new roads, approving plans and watching bad contractors.

In addition to being State Road Commissioner, Mr. Hutchinson has served the people of Mercer county in both halls of the Legislature, having been a member of the Assembly in 1896 and 1897, and State Senator from 1899 to 1904.

In 1887 he established the Hamilton Roller Mills, now known as the E. C. Hutchinson Milling Company. Since 1889 he has also been secretary of the Trenton Bone Fertilizer Company, and has found time to devote to banking business as a director of the Broad Street National Bank and the Mercer Trust Company, in the formation of which latter institution he was one of the prime factors.

ERNEST C. STAHL.

The attitude in which the artist has drawn the Colonel (or Captain—one hardly knows which to call him) best describes this doughty warrior of many talkfests. As an after-dinner speaker he is by far the top notcher in Trenton. Just send the Colonel an invitation three hours ahead of the appointed time and he will respond to any toast in the book. He speaks German—at least, so Charlie Gallagher says—and as the Colonel was born in Breslau, province of Silesia, Germany, in 1843, one must believe that the "King" knows what he is talking about.

Colonel Stahl has a brilliant military record, having served through the Civil war, with much distinction, in the Seventh New York and the First New Jersey Volunteers. He is most active in affairs of the Grand Army, and in 1897 was Department Commander. Colonel Stahl is also a member of the commission which conducts the affairs of the New Jersey Home for Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Their Wives and Widows, at Vineland.

In politics Colonel Stahl has had something to say. In fact, one can hardly name any subject upon which he does not have his say. His first name indicates the manner into which he enters all discussion, including the game of hearts, his hobby and favorite pastime. Previous to the advent of William Jennings Bryan into national politics Colonel Stahl was a Democrat, but since that time he has been an advocate of Republican principles.

Colonel Stahl is married and has an interesting family. Rose Stahl, the talented and well-known actress, is his daughter, and the father never tires of reciting her many experiences. His other children are Hope White-Stahl, Harry E. Stahl, Norman P. Stahl and Ernest C. Stahl, Jr.

JOHN E. GILL.

Mr. Gill is at the head of the Rider-Moore-Stewart Business College, one of the largest schools of its kind in the East. He has been a resident of Trenton since 1901 and has already made his impress upon our citizens. His great activity in everything he entered into pointed him out as possessing those qualifications needed for the upbuilding and progress of commercial and business life and he soon became an important factor in the Chamber of Commerce and many social, religious and political organizations.

Mr. Gill is a clever and interesting speaker and his services are in great demand for social functions, while he is frequently requested to address various organizations. He was chosen President of the Republican Club in 1906 and 1907, and his activity during that time resulted in an increase of over four hundred members.

"The Professor," as he is generally called, became mixed up in politics in 1907, but he declares he was like the little boy who, when asked if he had been "in" a fight, replied, "No, sir; I had a fight, but I wasn't *in* it." The "Professor" was the Republican candidate for Mayor in that year, and while he put up the greatest campaign since 1887, the wave was against him. He took his defeat gracefully and declares that his campaign was the means of educating him along lines entirely new, at the same time bringing him into contact with thousands of Trenton's citizens. Mr. Gill was born in Illinois in 1872 and came to Trenton in 1901. He is a member of many organizations and prominent in Masonic circles.

JOHN MATHESON.

Deputy County Clerk and chief bag-piper for the local colony of Highlanders. Mr. Matheson is better known as "Squire," acquired during his many years' occupancy of the office of Justice of the Peace. He has been Deputy County Clerk so many years that the average citizen does not remember the date of his original appointment.

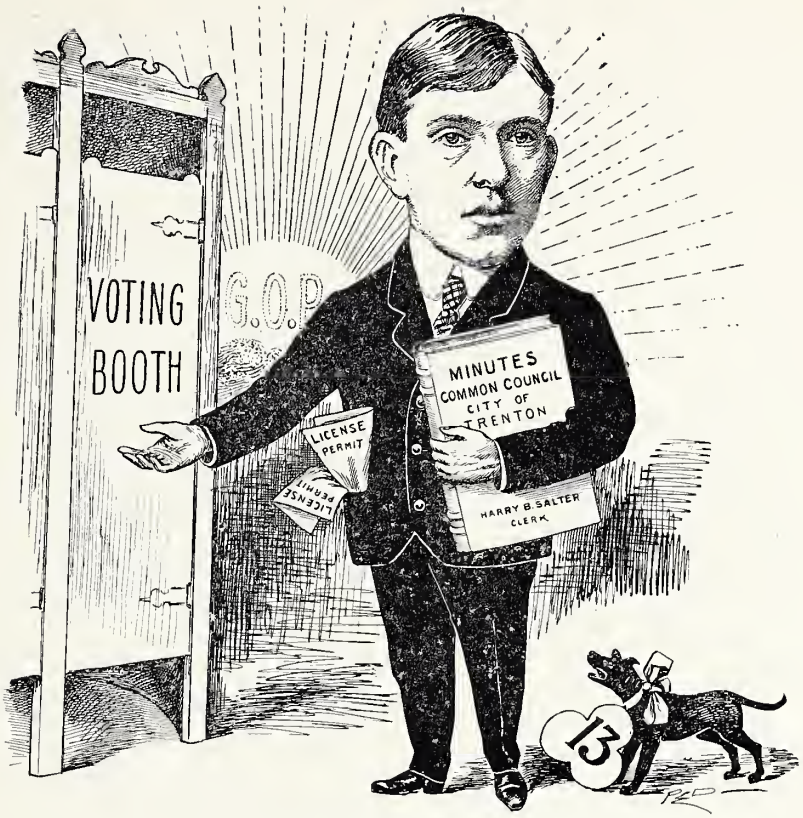
Tradition has it that he was first appointed by Barker Gummere, in 1892, and re-appointed by Charles H. Baker in 1902, and George R. Robbins in 1907. Mr. Matheson's ability and knowledge of the duties of the position are alone responsible for his continued occupancy of the position, and his worth as an official has frequently been referred to by various judges and lawyers.

Mr. Matheson was at one time Police Justice of Trenton. He is an active member of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and has been instrumental in creating much interest in this worthy cause.

FRANK J. EPPELLE.

Chief of the tribe that wears the red "fez,"
A mighty good fellow, so everyone sez.
He can build a good road
Or cook a fine meal——

Or do anything else he is asked. This is doggerel with a vengeance, but it describes in a few words the rotund, jolly and good-natured County Engineer. He has held this important position since its creation in 1899 and will probably remain there for life.



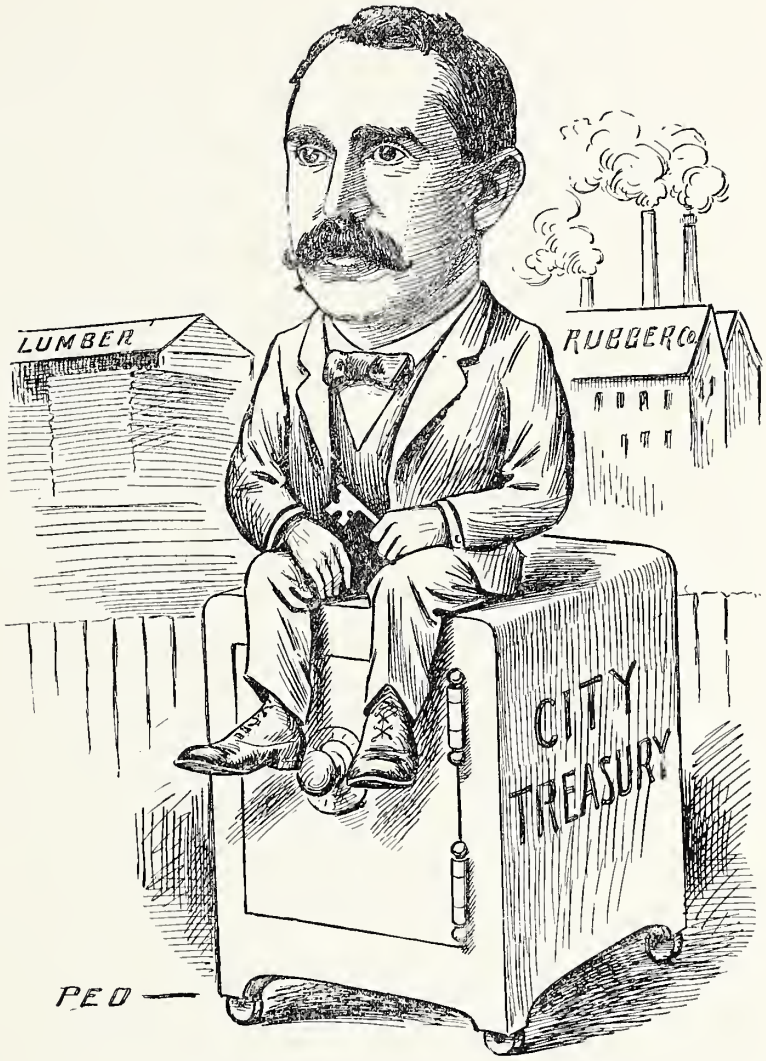
HARRY B. SALTER.

The following, which accompanied the above cartoon when printed in the *Sunday Advertiser* of November 13th, 1904, is perhaps self-explanatory:

"The office of City Clerk carries with it multifarious functions. Artist Pedrick, in the accompanying drawing, has succeeded well in giving a semi-humorous idea of the situation. Besides looking after the large clerical business pertaining to Common Council's movements, Mr. Salter is clerk also to the Board of Excise, and has charge of the issue of all licenses of whatever kind within the city. Along in the springtime, when the dog licenses are given out, this department of the City Clerk's work assumes herculean proportions. In the picture Mr. Salter has evidently incurred the grave displeasure of the unfortunate canine to which 'Tag No. 13' has been awarded. The City Clerk's duties also cover the arrangements for balloting in the various polling precincts of the city on election day and the reception of the returns election night. While these various responsibilities are pictorially referred to, the artist has not forgotten the fact that the present City Clerk is an enthusiastic Republican, as the 'G. O. P.' sunburst in the background indicates.

"Mr. Salter is thirty-four years of age, and began contact with the world as a newspaper carrier. Then he became office boy for one of the dailies, and soon evinced brightness and ability enough to be a reporter. From reporting he drifted into politics, and in 1894 landed as assistant to City Clerk Murray. He served a faithful apprenticeship, and when Mr. Murray retired in 1904 Mr. Salter received a deserved promotion to his present office. He was re-elected in 1907.

"Mr. Salter is a believer in the axiom that 'all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.' After business hours he likes a bit of recreation as well as any man. He was an enthusiastic wheelman when bicycling was the rage, and nowadays he finds pleasure in fishing and bowling."



WILLIAM J. B. STOKES.

One of Trenton's residents who has made himself part of the municipal and business history of the city. Now serving his fourth term as City Treasurer, to which trusted position he was first elected May 4th, 1894, after having served his city for several years in Common Council, during a period when the city was just awakening from its village slumber of forty years.

Mr. Stokes is a son of the late Joseph O. Stokes, a man who left his impress upon the affairs of this city, by reason of his connection with what at one time was the largest manufacturing industry in this city, the New Jersey Steel and Iron Company. He is connected with many of Trenton's business institutions, and is largely interested in the Trenton Rubber Manufacturing Company, the Home Rubber Company and the Joseph O. Stokes Rubber Company.

WILLIAM F. BURK.

"Smiling Billy" Burk is perhaps one of the most widely-known citizens of Trenton. Before he became John Ginder's successor as the city's Street Commissioner on January 1st, 1907, Mr. Burk had acted as Assistant Street Commissioner for about three months. This did not signalize his debut as a public figure by any means, for he had twice before served Mercer county in the New Jersey Legislature, and had also occupied a seat in Common Council from 1902 to 1906.

Mr. Burk is one of the many men prominent in the municipal affairs of the city who came from a country district. His birthplace was Groveville, where the stork delivered him to the Burk household on August 11th, 1860. After attending the Groveville country school until he was eighteen years of age, the prospective Street Commissioner and his family removed to Trenton. He took a position in the old plant of the Trenton Lock and Hardware Company and resumed his studies in the night class conducted by the Stewart & Hammond Business College. He was appointed a few years later to the foremanship of the brush department at the State Prison, and held that position until the office of Assistant Street Commissioner was proffered to him.

Like most men he has a hobby. In his case it is the Masonic order, which interests him principally outside of his business. He is a member of Mercer Lodge, No. 50, F. and A. M., and Three-Times-Three Chapter No. 5, Royal Arch Masons; was for a long time district deputy of the Masonic district, which includes Mercer, Hunterdon, Middlesex and Burlington counties, and is now grand treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Masons of New Jersey.

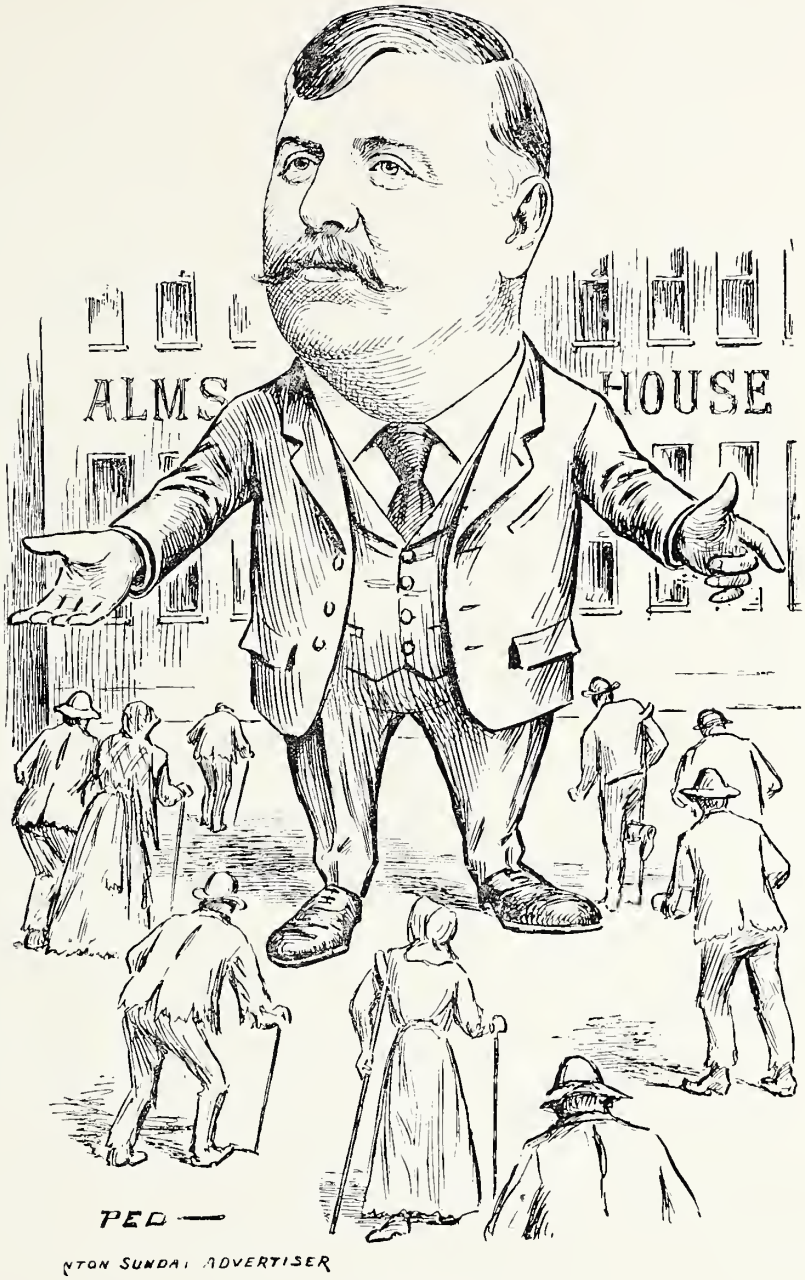
EDWARD S. PARKINSON.

Mathematician, traveler, writer and collector of antiques. The first as a means of gaining a small competence, the second for health and education, and the last two as means of spending the first.

Mr. Parkinson has been Comptroller of Trenton since 1904. Previous to that time he was Deputy Collector of Taxes for six years, in which position he made hosts of friends. He has traveled through every State, with the exception of the state of matrimony, and it is anticipated by his friends that he will, sooner or later, finish by including that state among the has beens.

Mr. Parkinson has written several books on his travels throughout the United States, each of which proves him to be a descriptive writer of no mean ability.

His hobby, as before stated, is antiques, particularly firearms.



WILLIAM M. NUTT.

Political opponents of Mr. Nutt have admitted that he is the right man in the right place. For six years he has filled the exacting position of steward of the almshouse, and with his wife as matron, the institution has been placed upon a plane of usefulness which has been remarked upon by many visitors from other cities and States, in charge of similar institutions.

Mr. Nutt comes of a prominent and well-known Trenton family. His father was George N. Nutt, for many years connected with the Trenton Saving Fund Society, and his grandfather, William N. Nutt, was City Clerk when Trenton was but a village.

Mr. Nutt is an ardent Republican and a member of many organizations, but his chief source of amusement is the Trenton Press Club and their game of hearts.

ABRAM SWAN, Jr.

Mr. Swan, one of the best and most widely known of Trenton's young citizens, is City Engineer of the city of Trenton, having been elected to succeed Charles C. Haven, January 1st, 1907. He was born in Trenton May 9th, 1874, and after attending the schools of this city took up surveying and engineering. He served the city of Trenton under J. Ridgway Fell and Charles C. Haven, previous City Engineers, and, as above stated, later succeeded to that position himself.

Mr. Swan is a member of many fraternal and social organizations and in all of them he has taken an active interest. His ability as a speaker and story teller is widely known and he is constantly in demand for social functions. As a diversion, Mr. Swan sometimes takes to the water, attributed to his name, and spends days enticing the finny tribe from their native element.

THOMAS B. HOLMES.

Editor, Health Commissioner, specialist on correctional institutions, poet and after-dinner speaker. There may be other matters and subjects with which this versatile citizen is familiar, but the few enumerated above are sufficient to recall him to mind.

Mr. Holmes arrived in Trenton about 1895 to assume the position of editor of the "State Gazette." He had not been here long before he demonstrated his ability in various lines and rapidly made his way socially and politically. He is Secretary of the Board of Health and a member of the State Board to conduct the State Home for Girls. He has a wide reputation as a poet, his work appearing frequently in many of the large magazines of the United States.

As an editor few can beat Holmes,
Renowned for his "Limerick" poems.
Of jobs he's a score,
And they say he'll have more,
When they rake the State House with fine combs.

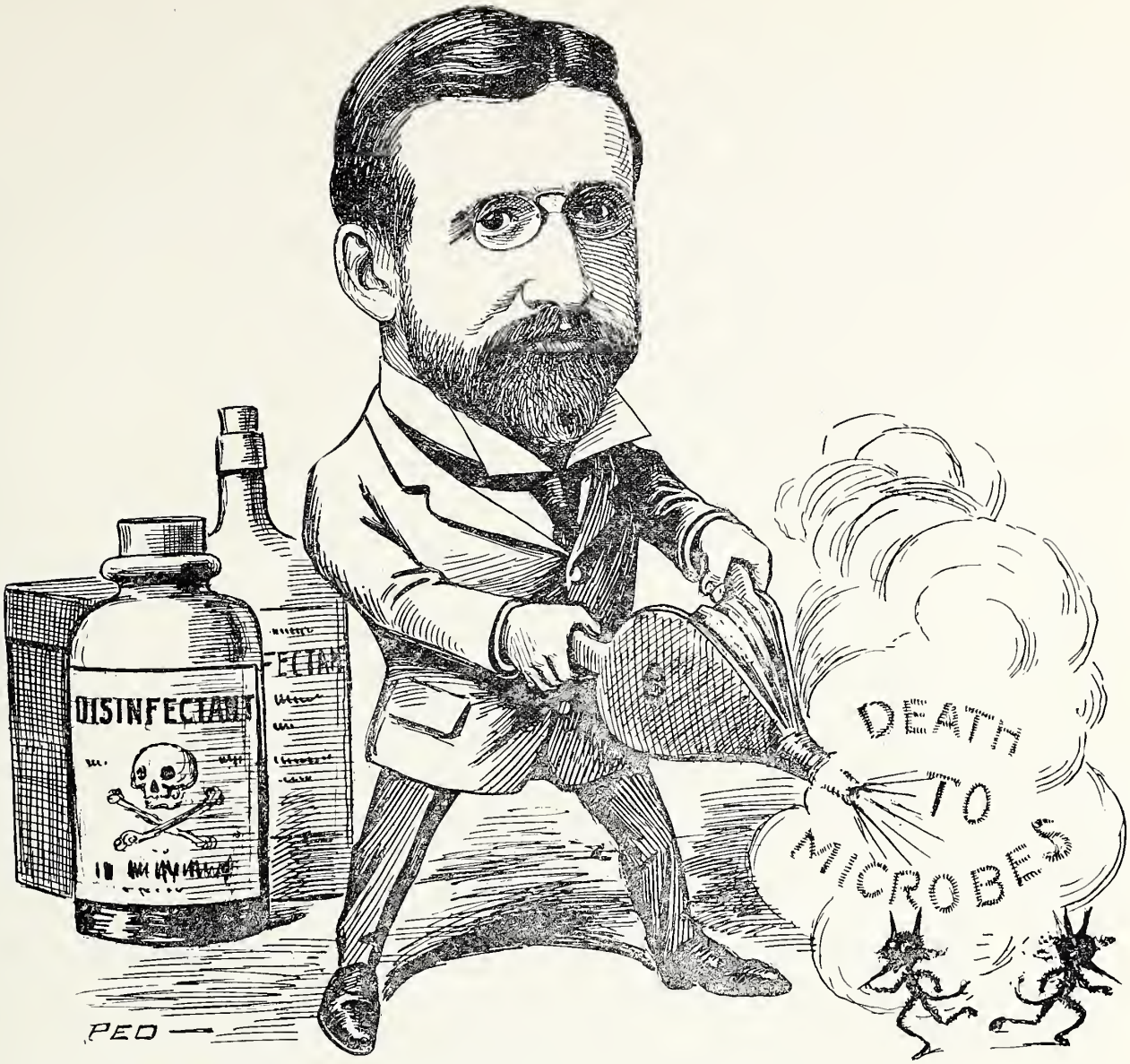
FRANCIS BAZLEY LEE.

It has always been a mooted question among Trentonians whether the first honor as an after-dinner speaker should be given to Colonel Stahl or the subject of this cartoon. Probably this decision to give the Colonel first rank will settle the discussion once and for all. This much can be said, however: No one doubts for an instant that Mr. Lee is a close second to the Colonel. As in the cartoon, so you can witness this busy Trentonian any day hurrying to his many occupations, whether it be to attend a meeting of the city board of health or discover the cause of typhoid.

His multitudinous duties as journalist, lawyer, historian, health official and public speaker keep him ever busy, but never mar his genial sociability or detract from his enjoyment of life. He is a native of Philadelphia, having been born in the old Merchants' Hotel there January 3d, 1869. He came to this city in early childhood, when his father, Benjamin F. Lee, was appointed as clerk of the Supreme Court. He studied at the Trenton Institute, Lawrenceville High School and State Model School, from which he graduated in 1888, afterward taking a special course in American history and economics at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1890.

He was admitted to the bar in 1893, and has been twice secretary of commissions to compile statutes.

Incidentally, it may be said, Mr. Lee is a Democrat, but never lets politics worry him, and is widely known throughout the State for the large number of political booms he has successfully dodged.



ALTON S. FELL, M.D.

Dr. Alton S. Fell, Health Officer of the city of Trenton, is an ever-vigilant enemy of the microbes that cause contagion and is kept busy in preventing disease from fastening its hold here. He is now serving his eighth year as Health Officer. Scarlet fever and diphtheria are almost constantly on the lists of the health board, their presence being chiefly due to the difficulty of effective quarantine. Trenton has very little typhoid fever and there has not been a case of smallpox for over two years. In 1901 smallpox made its appearance here, and at one time there were a hundred cases to battle. For three years Dr. Fell waged unceasing warfare on the scourge, and in 1903 the final case was wiped off the health board's list.

Dr. Fell is a graduate of the Hahnemann College, Philadelphia, and is a member of the Hahnemann Clinical Club of this city. He is prominent in Masonry, being a member of Fraternal Lodge, Knights Templar and the Shrine. He is deeply interested in baseball and played on the doctors' and lawyers' teams several years ago that met and vanquished the Press Club nine. He is also a devotee of tennis.

The new Municipal Hospital was built upon recommendations made to the health board and council by Dr. Fell. The law enabling the health board to have a sewer constructed when deemed necessary, was drafted by a committee on the recommendation of Dr. Fell. Previous to the passage of this act the objection of a majority of the property owners completely blocked the building of a sewer. In several parts of the city conditions imperatively demanded sewerage, and Dr. Fell urged the legislation that was soon placed upon the statute books.

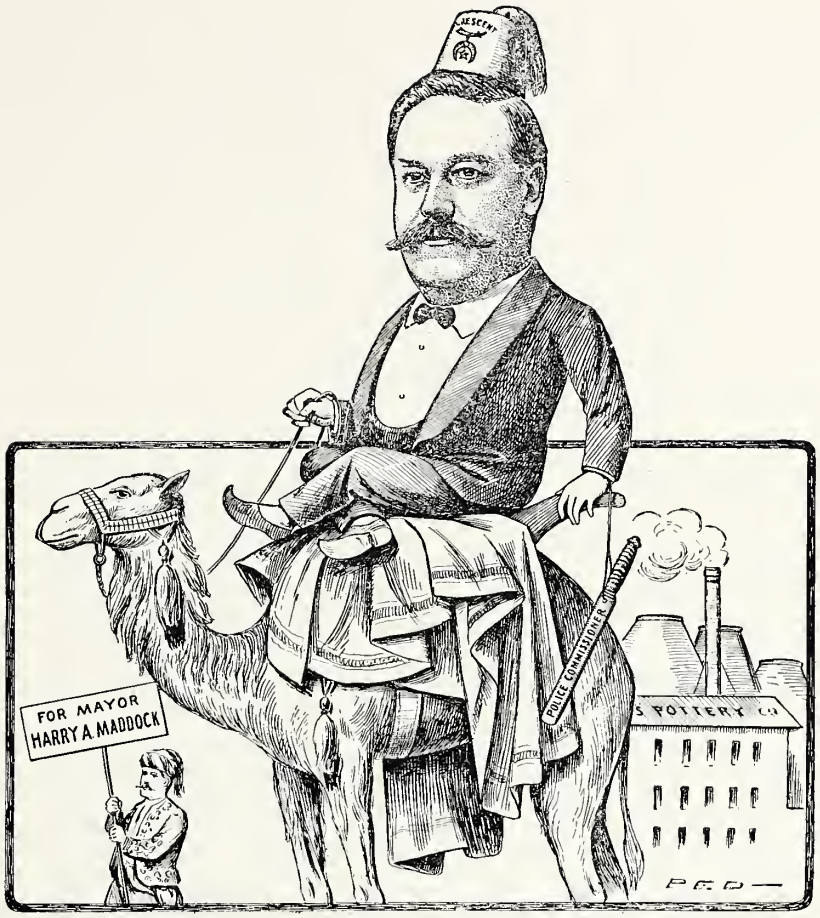
HARRY C. VALENTINE.

Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain Valentine, lawyer, promoter and builder, better known as "Vally." A battle-scarred veteran of the Spanish-American war, whose chief object during the time he was quartermaster of the Fourth New Jersey was to equip a commissioned officer for $11.33.

At the outbreak of hostilities with Spain, Mr. Valentine cast aside his musty law books and entered the service, where he remained until the fracas was over. While located in Greenville, S. C., with his command he caught a severe cold and a wife, and returned to his Trenton friends a happy man.

Mr. Valentine has developed the western part of the city into a beautiful residential section, having purchased the old Atterbury farm and erected scores of pretty homes thereon.

Years ago he worked in a brick yard; then he embarked in the jewelry business; from that he became a newspaper writer and publisher, eventually landing permanently as a lawyer. "Vally" says real estate beats them all as money-makers.



HARRY S. MADDOCK.

To his intimate associates Mr. Maddock is known as "Potsie," which mark of distinction is taken from the fact that he is connected with the celebrated Thomas Maddock Sons Company, whose wares are sent all over the world. "Potsie" is really but a youngster, but he knows a lot about his business, and he attends to it twelve hours a day, six days a week and twenty-six days a month.

Once in a while, however, he takes a little vacation and goes gunning for ducks, or anything else that happens to come across his vision. He has other diversions, too, automobiles being one and his job as Police Commissioner being the other. In the latter capacity the people of Trenton have come to look upon him as being up to the standard. He takes as much interest in his position as he does in his business, which is an assurance to the citizens that, so far as Mr. Maddock is concerned, their interests are in good hands.

Socially, "Potsie" belongs to lots and lots of organizations, but the one where "fezs, camel's milk, hot sands and traditional banquets" are the vogue occupies the warmest spot in his big heart.

Once, twice or perhaps three times the Republican party of Trenton "mentioned" him as their candidate for Mayor, but "Potsie" was too wise, and turned his eyes the other way while the gaudily-painted Mayor's chair paraded by his door and stopped in front of Fred. Gnichtel's house.

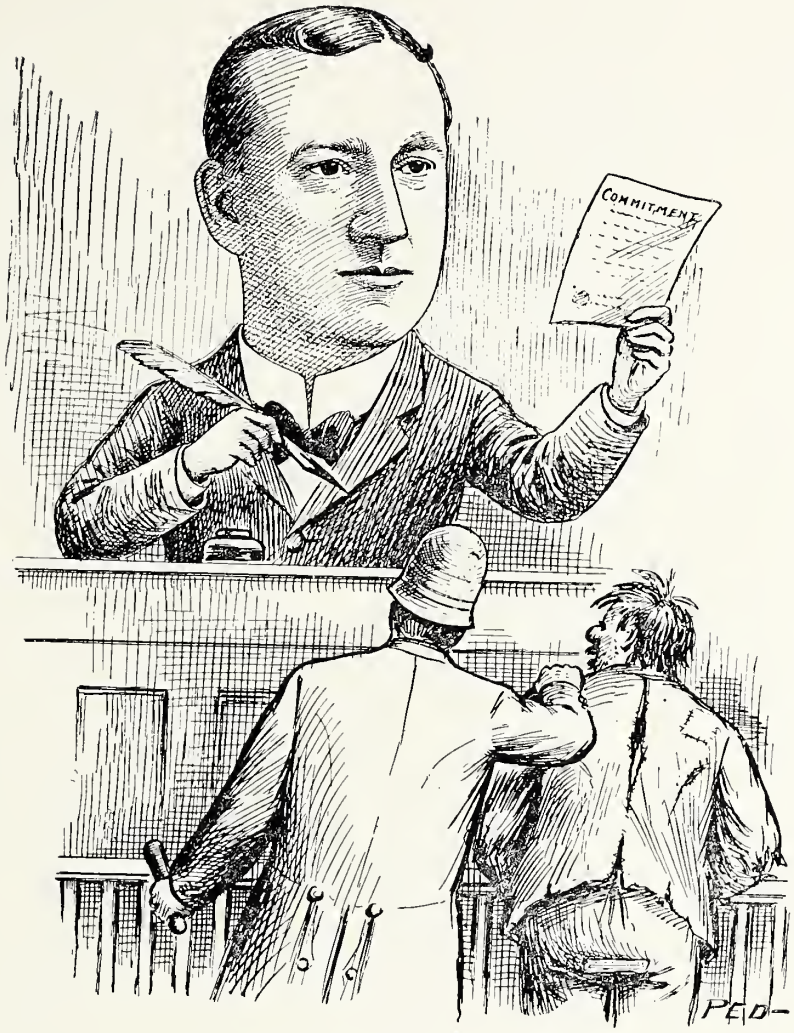
HARRY J. HARRIS.

A prominent Trentonian, when asked once as to what kind of a man should be appointed Police Justice, replied, "a common-sense man, and not a lawyer."

Judge Harris fills this requirement. He has occupied the bench in the First District Police Court since 1904, and during that time has demonstrated his ability as a judge of human nature, and has always recognized inherent weakness in mankind. A terror to evil-doers, yet at the same time tempering justice with mercy at the right time and in the right place.

Six years in Common Council previous to being elected Police Justice gave the judge a knowledge of laws and ordinances of the city which has been of great use to him in his present position.

The judge likes a little play occasionally, and when he takes a vacation one can usually find him with a fishing rod in his hand up the Delaware river.



FREDERICK P. REES.

To occupy the position of Police Justice in a city as large as Trenton, dispense justice to the unfortunate and criminal in such a manner as to receive the commendation of both complainant and defendant, is indeed an art, but such a thing can be said of "Judge" Rees. The success which Mr. Rees has attained since he has occupied the bench in the Second District Police Court is due to his wide knowledge of the world and his unerring judgment of human nature.

More cases have been settled out of court by this popular judge than in it, and it is no new story to read in the papers that the judge has settled some matrimonial difficulty by simply giving a little common-sense advice to the mother-in-law and tearful wife or husband.

When he is not dispensing justice the judge is superintending one of the large departments of the John A. Roebling's Sons Company, where he has been for nearly twenty years.

Born in Wales in 1860, he came here when quite young, and has served his city and county in Common Council and the State Legislature. As a diversion from his judicial cares, Mr. Rees takes great interest in several secret societies.

JOHN J. CLEARY.

There are two or three other John J. Clearys in Trenton, but the particular John J. referred to here is Captain John of the police department. In the words of former Governor Foster M. Voorhees, "Captain Cleary is an ideal policeman, and in my opinion is the best-looking one in the State."

The Captain was born in England, in 1852, of Irish parentage. After a short experience in an English pottery he came to Trenton with his parents in 1864. Early in his career he became a skillful potter, and later he took up the iron-workers' trade.

He was appointed a patrolman in 1881 and served in that capacity until 1886, when he was advanced to Lieutenant. He was made a Captain in 1892, after having been in command of the first precinct since 1890.

Captain Cleary has great force of character and determination in the pursuance of principles he considers right. Unmoved by prejudice or passion, he administers the duties of his trust with fairness and discretion, at all times placing duty above every other consideration. He has for several years been president of the Superior Officers' Association, an organization prominent in police affairs throughout the State.

WILLIAM DETTMAR.

One of the Captains of Trenton's "finest." The services which Captain Dettmar has rendered the city of Trenton is hard to estimate. He is Captain in charge of the second police district and evil-doers who fall into his clutches generally "get the limit." The knowledge of his bull dog tenacity has decreased the percentage of crime considerably in his territory.

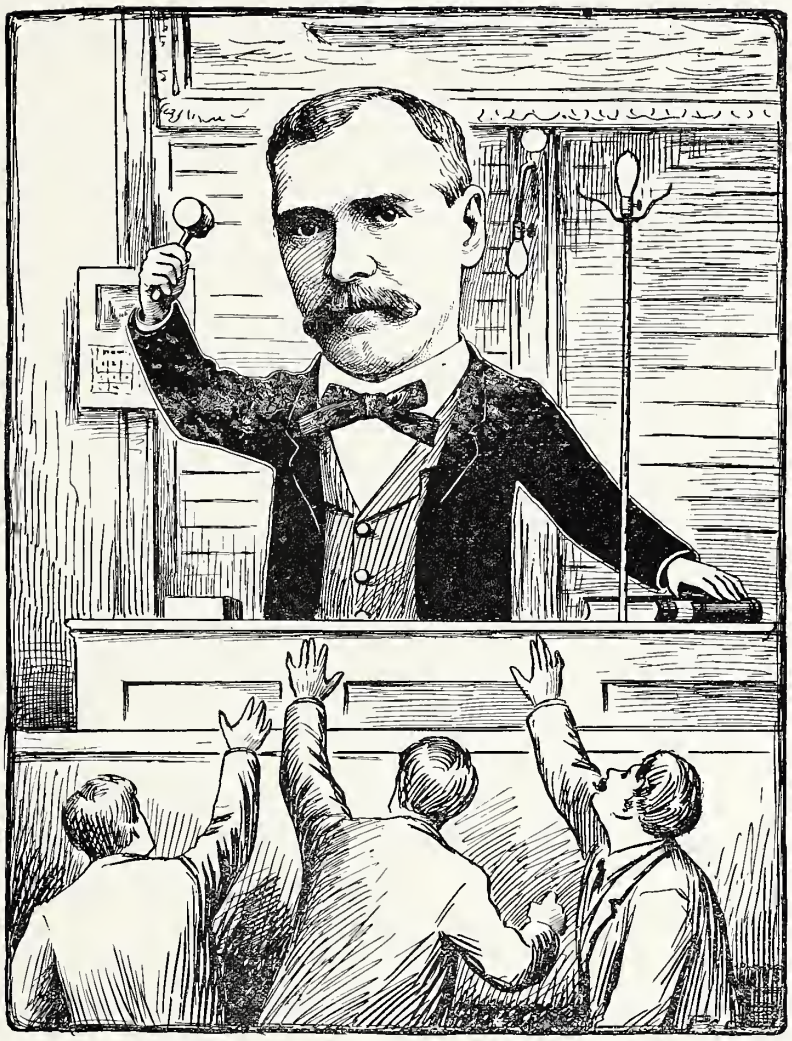
Captain Dettmar was made a patrolman in 1882, advanced to Sergeant in 1889, and Captain 1903.

CHARLES PILGER and JOHN J. CLANCY.

The "Sherlock Holmes" of Trenton's police department. These two men have a reputation of wide extent for ability as detectives. Both have served in this capacity for years and have many important captures to their credit. Criminals who know anything of these two men give Trenton a wide berth for they are aware that operations cannot be conducted safely when Messrs. Pilger and Clancy are around.

Mr. Pilger was appointed a policeman in 1881 and when the detective bureau was inaugurated in 1891, he was the first man selected for one of the positions.

Mr. Claney was made detective sergeant in 1899, upon the death of Lester R. Applegate. Previous to his being attached to the city department, he was County Detective, where he made the reputation which secured his new position.



WILLIAM THOMAS.

One-time President of Common Council, now Fire Commissioner, in reward for faithfulness to the people's interests while spending four years as a member of the city's lawmaking body. Mr. Thomas comes from England, where he was born in 1857.

Previous to the admission into the city of the borough of Wilbur, Mr. Thomas took much interest in the affairs of that progressive little borough, and he was one of the first members of Council elected in the Twelfth ward. During three of the four years he was in Council he was President of that body, and he filled it with such satisfaction that even his political opponents complimented him when his term expired in 1906.

CHARLES S. ALLEN.

It is hardly necessary to say what official position Mr. Allen occupies. As chief of the fire department he has given evidence of possessing a mind that is capable of great things. The above picture was drawn in days gone by, for the chief no longer goes to fires with a little two-by-four wagon, but in an up-to-date "honk-honk" steamer, and he has established such a record for fast driving that on two occasions he ran into a couple of farm wagons before the noise of the "honk" reached the drivers.

Mr. Allen was born across the river from this city in 1856. Previous to his appointment upon the paid fire department he was delivery and shipping clerk for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. During the days of the volunteer fire service the chief was a member of the Hand-in-Hand Company, and upon the organization of the paid department in 1889 he was appointed assistant chief, which position he occupied until the death of Chief McGill in 1901, when he was promoted to the chieftancy.

E. FURMAN HOOPER.

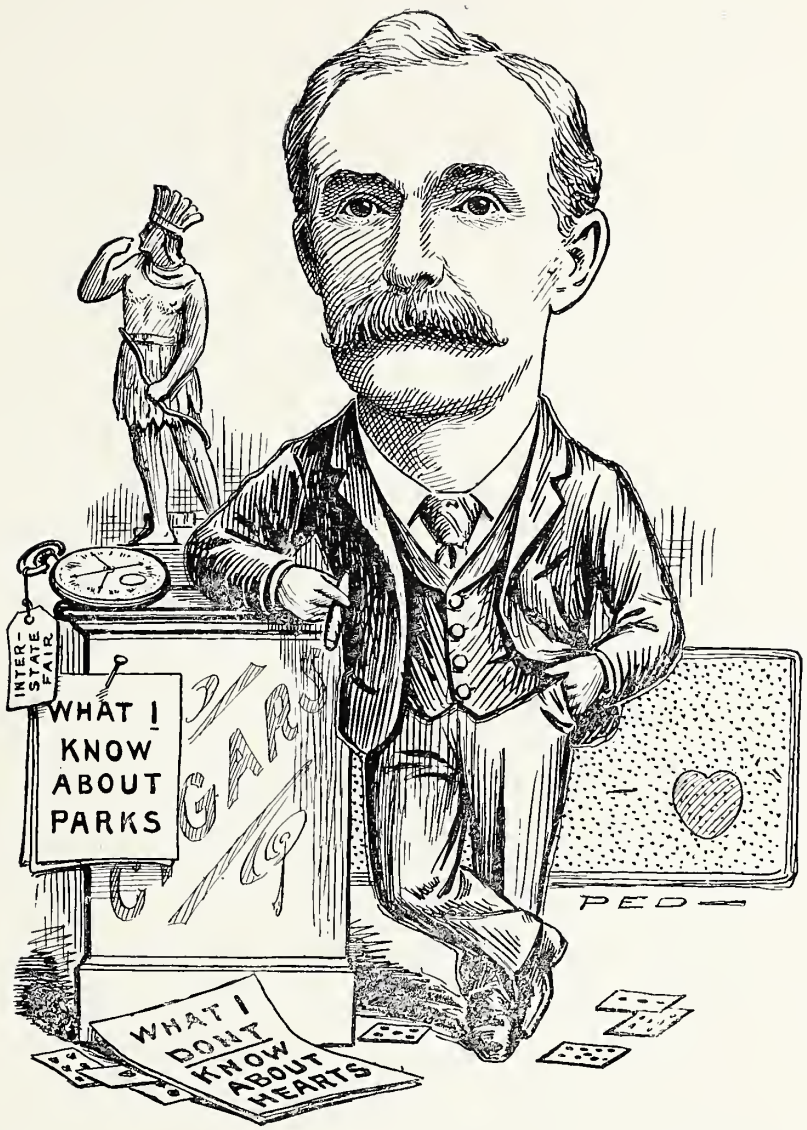
Few, outside of his own family, know what the first letter of Mr. Hooper's name stands for. His political acquaintances say it means "Easy," but "Furm" says it is "Enoch."

"Furm" *is* easy. Easy in his manners, talk, walk and political leadership. He is one of the best fellows in Trenton, and his popularity has been attested to on more than one occasion.

In politics he is a Democrat, and he has ever been active in the councils of that party. In 1901 he was elected Tax Receiver of Trenton by one of the largest majorities ever given in this city. Two years later he was the candidate of his party for County Clerk.

He is also one of the foremost of Trenton's young merchants, being a member of the firm of E. F. Hooper & Company, the largest paint, glass and contractors' supply store in Trenton.

Mr. Hooper is a member of the Park Commission, to which he was appointed by Mayor Madden in 1908. He is a great lover of outdoor sports and is a noted fisherman, spending many hours with rod and reel enjoying this sport.



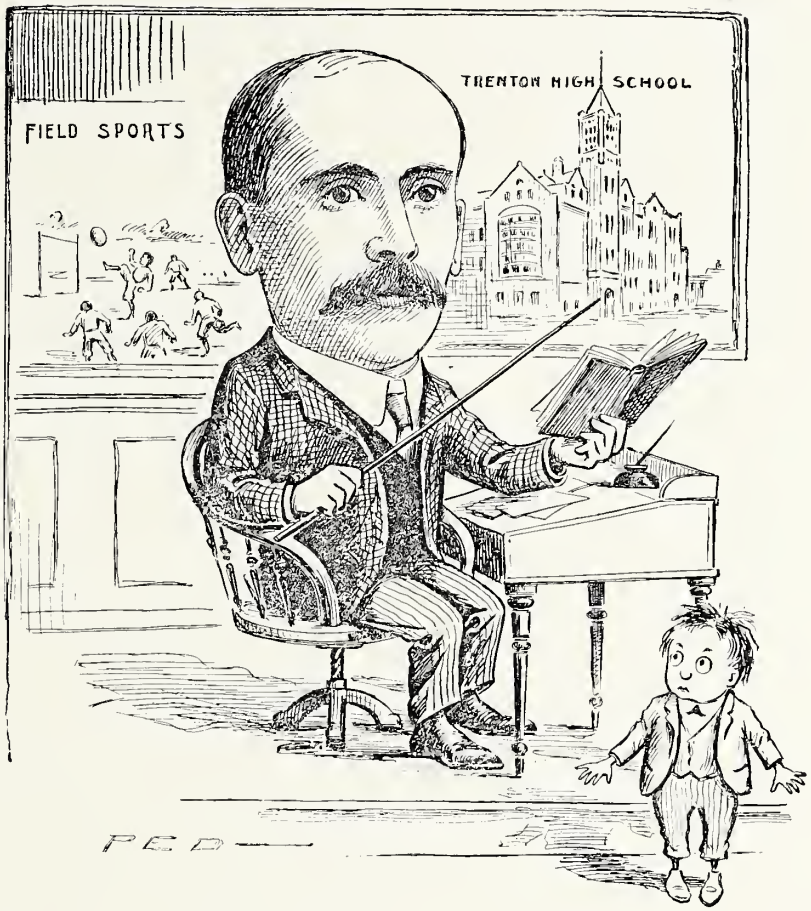
HARRY F. SMITH.

Proprietor of "Smithy's," the political wigwam and brain-storm clearing-house of the city; ex-Coroner, ex-Sewer Commissioner, Park Superintendent and president of the "Knockers' Club."

With all these appurtenances, is it any wonder that Mr. Smith is well liked? For years his cigar bazaar has been located at or near the corner of State and Warren streets, where, it is said, more political deals have been hatched and more fortunes won or lost than in Room 100 of the Trenton House.

Mr. Smith has a remarkable political record, but his modesty prevents him from referring to it; suffice to say that he is to-day Superintendent of the park system of Trenton, and his work is his hobby, which is something unusual for a political office-holder. But Mr. Smith says his office is not a political one, which is true so far as he is concerned, as he recognizes ability only in selecting his workers at the park.

Mr. Smith has long been identified with masonry, the Republican Club and the Elks, in all of which his hard work is attested by words of commendation from the members.



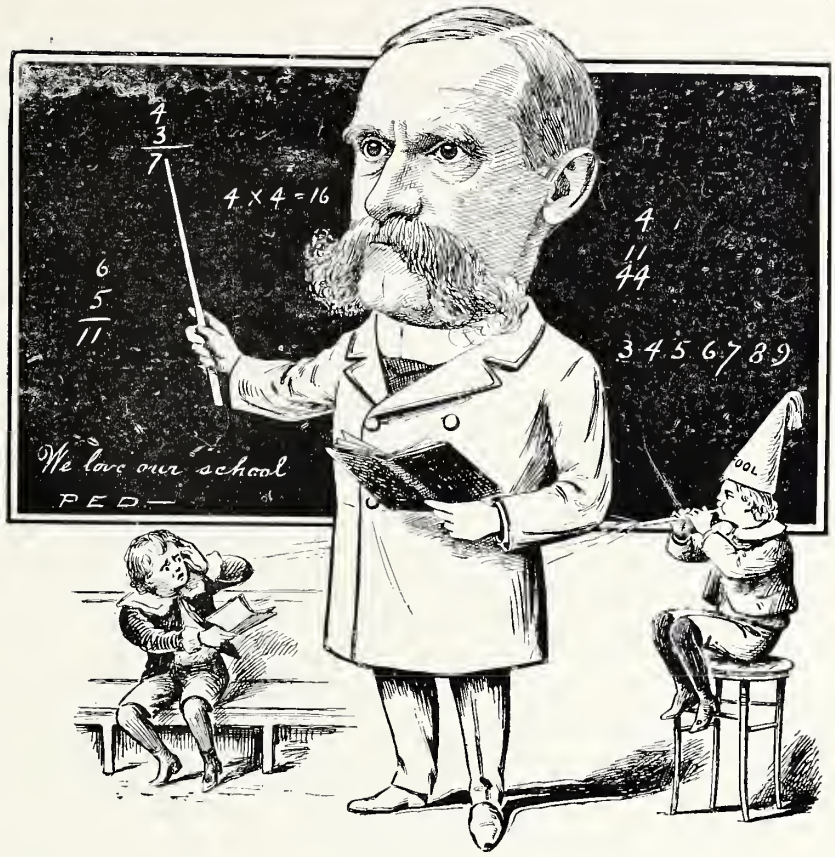
WILLIAM A. WETZEL.

Principal of the High School. An official whose sole ambition is higher education in every line.

A firm believer, however, in the saying, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," which accounts for the earnestness with which Professor Wetzel enters into the sports of his scholars. With the assistance of the faculty of his school he was mainly instrumental in purchasing and establishing the High School Athletic Field.

His interest in the education of the children of Trenton accompanied as it is with advanced ideas on the lines mentioned above, has made Professor extremely popular with the youth who attend the High School, as a consequence of which discipline is far beyond that usually found in similar institutions.

Professor Wetzel came here from Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania, in 1901. He attended Lafayette College for four years and John Hopkins University for three years.

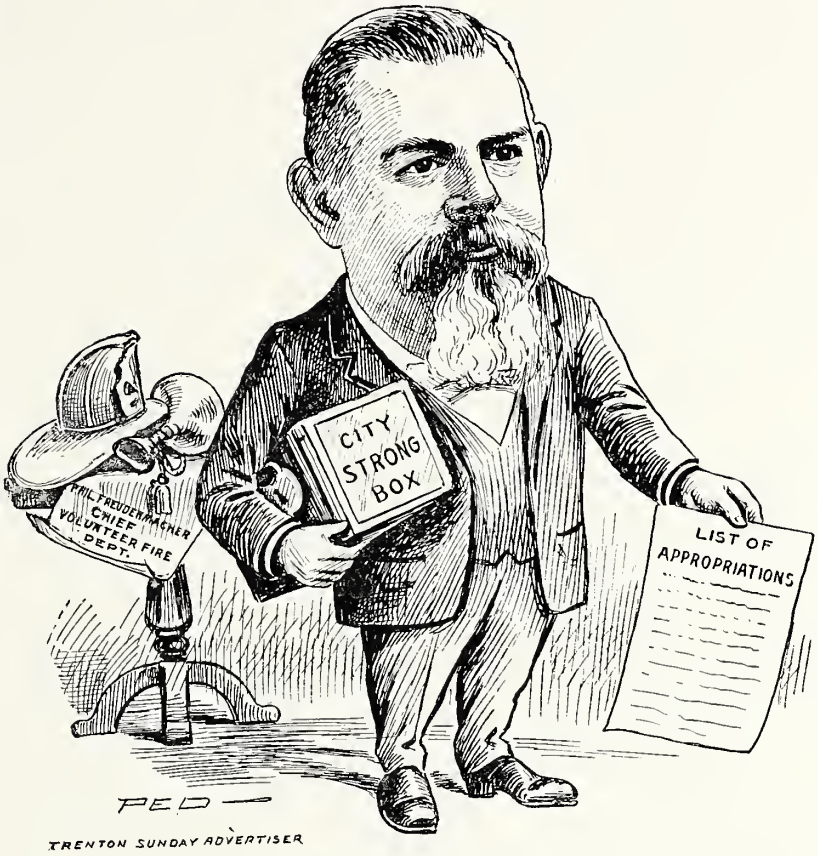


LEWIS C. WOOLEY.

Known by thousands of men, women and children of Trenton as "Professor," due to the fact that for thirty-five years he has "taught the young idea," not how to shoot, but how to become useful citizens. Many of Trenton's best-known professional and business men have dodged his eagle eye as he stood at the door of the old Academy street school and watched them enter the schoolroom.

Professor Wooley is principal of the Joseph Wood School. Previous to entering upon this principalship he taught for four years at the Parker School, on Union street. Mr. Wooley learned the carpenter's trade before deciding to become a teacher. He was born in Lamberton seventy-two years ago. At the Joseph Wood School he succeeded Professor William H. Brace, who went from there to the old High School, on Mercer street, now the William McKinley School. Many changes in methods of teaching have been made since he entered the profession, but he has gracefully adapted himself to all of them.

In the early seventies Principal Wooley was largely instrumental in the establishment of night schools in this city. It was thought at first that the night students could be handled in one room, the teachers taking charge in rotation, without remuneration, but after the first night's experience it became apparent that four rooms would be needed, and a basis of remuneration was established.



PHILIP FREUDENMACHER.

Trenton's grand old man. Known to every man, woman and child in the city as "Uncle" Phil. Why he should be called "old" is hard to tell, for he is but fifty-two years of age and looks forty. Sometimes called "Chief," which title he obtained by his long and active connection with the old Volunteer Fire Department as Chief Engineer. He held this important position at the time the department was disbanded in 1890 and was the first chief of the paid department.

Mr. Freudenmacher is at present, 1908, a member of Common Council from the Third Ward, being chairman of the Finance Committee, the most important committee of the city lawmaking body. As its chairman during the years 1907 and 1908 he has handled many important financial problems, but with great satisfaction to the people of the city.

He is a great friend of the firemen, policemen and school teachers and has always been found looking after their interests in Common Council. Mr. Freudenmacher has for many years been connected with the People's Brewing Company as consulting manager. He is a member of many fraternal and social organizations and active in nearly all of them.

CHARLES HARRY BAKER.

A citizen who has probably been honored by his fellow citizens more times than any other person in Trenton, excepting Anthony Atwood Skirm.

Harry Baker is known of thousands, both in Trenton and out of it. He was born here and has been part of the political and industrial life of our city since he was twenty years of age.

Politically, he has held several offices. Once he was defeated in the old Seventh ward by his old time political adversary, the late Colonel Michael Hurley, but after that, never.

In 1893 he was Fire Commissioner and in 1895 he was elected Receiver of Taxes, re-elected in 1897 and 1899 and which he held until 1902, when he was elected County Clerk. He could have had another term as County Clerk in 1907, had he desired, but his recent acquisition of an interest in the "State Gazette," together with his many other enterprises, absolutely demanded his retirement from office, though not from politics.

He is Chairman of the Republican County Committee and stands high in State politics as well.

For pastime Mr. Baker delights to indulge in every line of outdoor sport, and in contests at running, baseball, quoits, gunning or acrobatic feats, he generally carries off the honors at the outings of the many organizations of which he is a member.

Since boyhood he and General C. Edward Murray have been boon companions and they are known as the "Damon and Pythias" of politics, fighting each other's battles and content to sink or swim together.

THOMAS F. FITZGERALD.

The "Grand Old Man" of newspaperdom in Trenton—yes, in New Jersey. Better known as "Fitz." One of the proprietors of the "Sunday Advertiser" and its efficient business manager.

Mr. Fitzgerald is also owner and publisher of Fitzgerald's Legislative Manual and the Trenton Directory. He has been a widely-known newspaper writer for nearly thirty years, and during his career has represented the largest daily papers in the country.

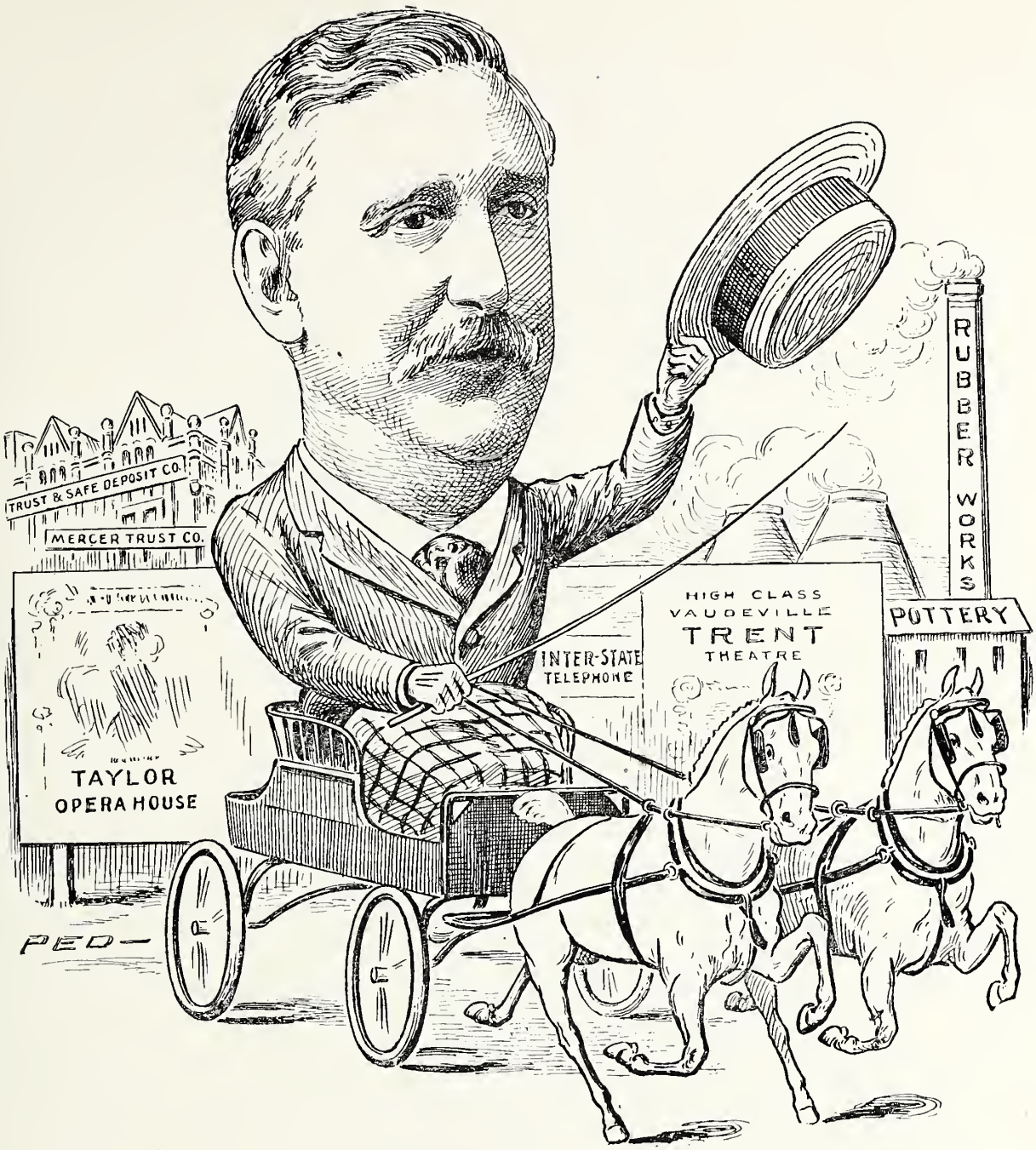
During his life he has been intimately acquainted with every politician and officeholder of note in New Jersey, and his ideas and suggestions on political matters have frequently been sought by adherents of both parties.

Of recent years he has departed from active political writing, devoting most of his time to the business end of the "Advertiser," but once in awhile he takes up his pen and gives the political pot a stir which makes people sit up and take notice. Mr. Fitzgerald has always espoused the cause of Democracy, but the only political position he ever held was as Private Secretary to Speaker Thomas Flynn in 1893.

He has no hobbies or fads other than work.

JOHN J. CLEARY.

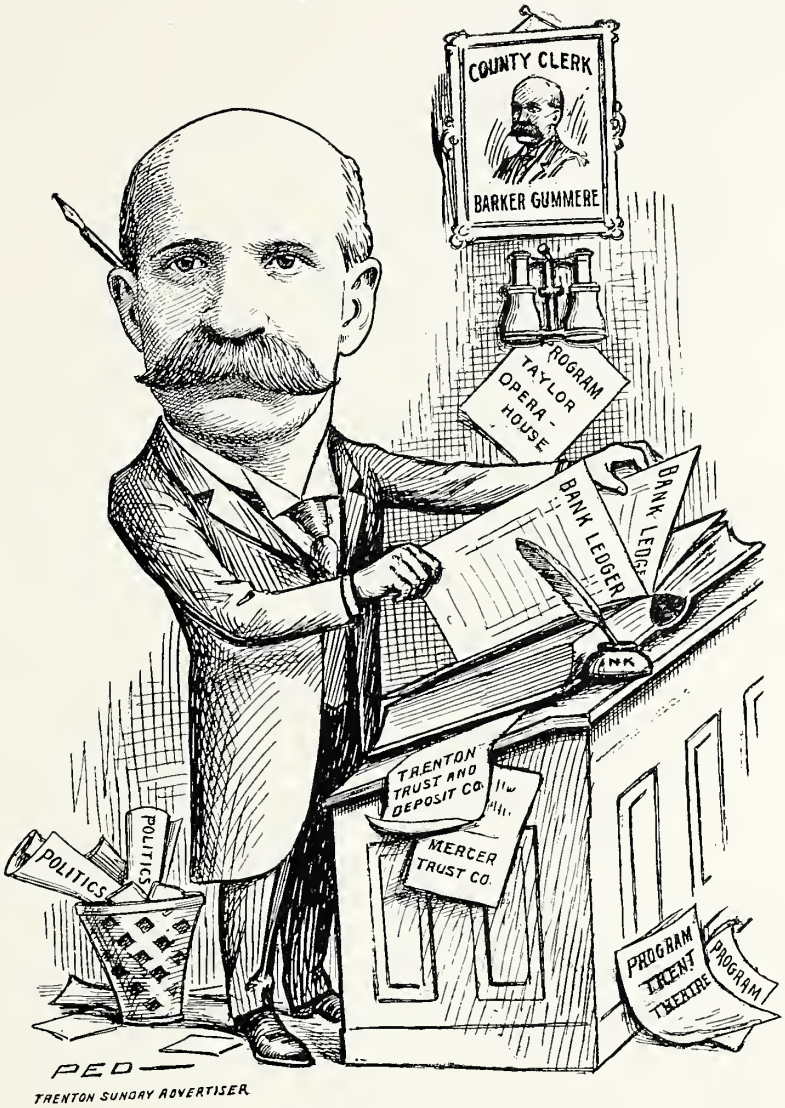
This collection of cartoons would not be complete without a sketch (from the *Acme Magazine*) of John J. Cleary, who, in his capacity as managing editor of the *Sunday Advertiser*, suggested the subjects of the preceding pictures to Artist Pedrick. Mr. Cleary is never happier than when adding some novel feature to the many which he has introduced to the readers of that favorite home paper during the past twenty years. Besides his newspaper work, he takes great interest in the progress of the Trenton Public Library, of which he has been a trustee since its foundation, and he is also one of the managers of the State Home for Feeble-Minded Women at Vineland, N. J. Mr. Cleary's favorite recreations are horseback riding or driving, the theatre and an occasional game of billiards at the Catholic Club or the Knights of Columbus parlors.



WILLIAM S. HANCOCK.

The above cartoon graphically depicts Mr. Hancock at work and play. The smoking stack and kilns represent his interest in these industries, while the other figures surrounding indicate that he also takes a hand at banking and amusement enterprises. Mr. Hancock has for many years been one of Trenton's foremost citizens, yet, with all his business affairs, he generally found time to devote to his hobby, which, as the cartoon shows, is horses, although the hobby has never extended beyond the ownership of a good, fast team of roadsters, with which he takes daily spins, welcoming a brush with anyone out on the good roads for which Mercer county is famous.

Mr. Hancock is a life-long resident of Trenton, having been born here in 1854. He was elected to Common Council in 1888, and the three years during which he was a member of that body were eventful ones in the practical progress of the city. In the founding of the park and sewer systems he was an active advocate of the improvements. Another matter in which he proved his progressive spirit was in his efforts for the establishment of a paid fire department. It was not by political climbing, but through recognition of his ability, that he was made State Comptroller in 1894, which position he held for eight years.



BARKER GUMMERE.

Mr. Gummere is, without doubt, one of Trenton's best-known citizens. Coming, as he does, of perhaps the most widely-known family in the State, his name is known from one end of New Jersey to the other.

It has been some years since Mr. Gummere retired from politics, of his own accord, at a time when he was retiring from the office of County Clerk, after having served two terms. Mr. Gummere is accounted one of the best financial men in the State. He is connected with the Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit Company, and has been instrumental in bringing that institution to one of prominence in financial circles.

He is a son of the late Barker Gummere and brother of Chief Justice Gummere of the New Jersey Supreme Court and Samuel R. Gummere, Ambassador to Tangiers.

HUGH H. HAMILL.

In the accompanying picture the artist suggests Hugh H. Hamill in the dual capacity of financier and booklover. There is no finer judge of good literature in Trenton than he, while the splendid strides ahead which the Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit Company has made since he assumed its presidency testify eloquently to his place in the local banking world. Although Mr. Hamill's extensive business interests have long demanded a great proportion of his time, he has gracefully avoided the narrowing effects that close devotion in that direction sometimes produces. In a remarkable way he holds himself alert to the demands of all departments of life and his pleasing personality stands out clearly in all that he does. The Chesterfieldian bearing that gives him a happy presence in the social circle is maintained by him under all conditions. Even when business pressure reaches its height, his elegance of manner never relaxes. In conversation he is polished and forceful. His rare ability as a speaker has been evidenced on dinner occasions, in addresses before schools and in other directions.

Mr. Hamill is a son of the late Rev. Dr. Samuel M. Hamill, of Lawrenceville, and was born at that place in 1851. After graduating at Princeton, in 1871, he was vice principal of the Lawrenceville high school for six years, and filled various professorships there, his father being the head of the faculty at the time. He studied law under the late Judge Caleb S. Green and was admitted to the bar in 1877.

Although a very public-spirited citizen and possessing much executive ability, Mr. Hamill has never held public offices other than those of solicitor for Lawrence township and member of the Trenton school board, and now avoids even the semblance of political inclination. He has been president of the Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit and the Real Estate Title Companies since 1890 and is a director of many corporations.

MAHLON R. MARGERUM.

Secretary of the "Greater Than Ever" Inter-State Fair, former Tax Receiver of Trenton and well-known Democratic politician. Popularly known as "Pa," but recently changed to "Grandpa," because of the arrival of the stork at the home of his son J. Fred.

Mr. Margerum is widely known, not only in this city, but throughout the State. He was at one time active in Democratic politics and was Collector for Mercer county as well as Receiver of Taxes in 1892.

For the past eight or ten years he has been secretary of the Inter-State Fair Association, and has been instrumental in building up for this annual affair a reputation that has extended throughout the entire East.

Mr. Margerum rejoices in the title of Lieutenant-Colonel, having been appointed Paymaster on the staff of General Peter F. Wanser in 1908, being at that time aide-de-camp upon the staff of General Dennis F. Collins of the Second Brigade. He was for three years a member of the personal staff of Governor Edward C. Stokes.

Mr. Margerum is also president of the People's Brewing Company and also interested in a number of Trenton's industries.

Plays golf, billiards, bridge whist and other childish games and exceedingly fond of horses.

CHARLES A. MAY.

When the people look at the cartoon above they are apt to be misled as to its meaning. For fear of such misinterpretation it will probably be necessary to state that the picture has reference to Mr. May's former position as President of the Water Board. For twelve years previous to January 1st, 1908, Mr. May occupied that important position, and when he retired it was at his own volition and with the regrets of the citizens of Trenton.

During his incumbency of this office the water-supply system of Trenton was extended to the greatest capacity in the history of the city, and in the laying of the plans for many of the important improvements Mr. May was the master hand. While he is an active Republican politician and party man, this and Police Commissioner are the only official positions Mr. May ever held.

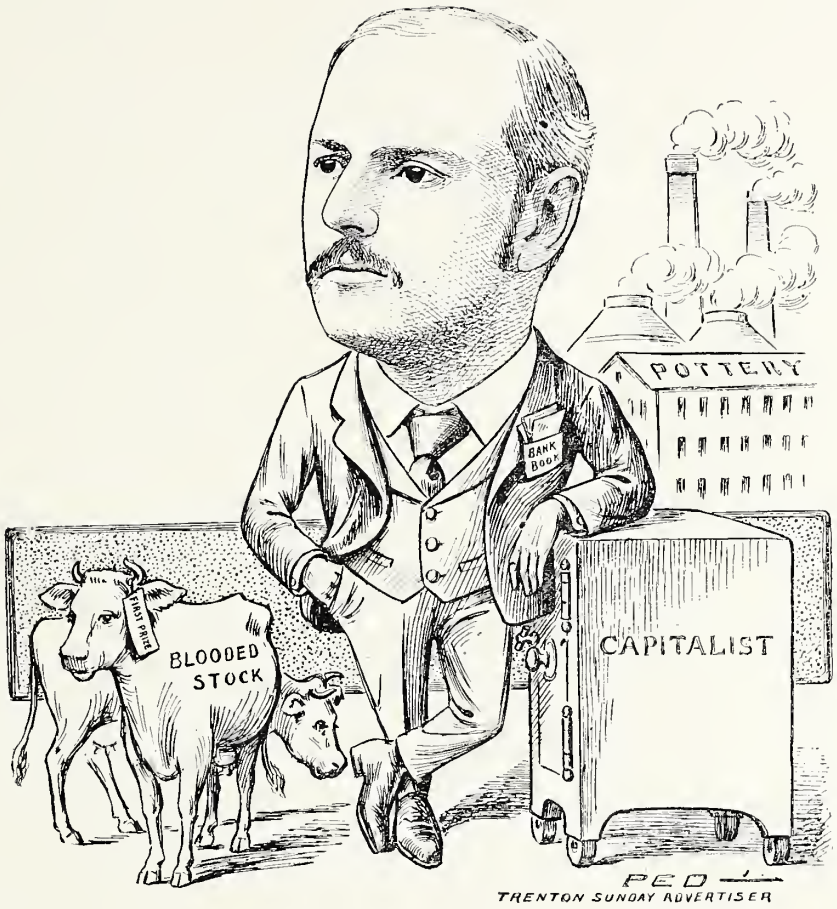
Mr. May is a member of the Maddock Pottery Company and is a thorough master of his profession, which is that of pottery designer. It would be somewhat difficult to say what his greatest amusement is, but one may be considered pretty safe as declaring that it is his pretty grandchildren.

WELLING G. SICKEL.

It is a familiar sight to Trentonians to witness a merry coaching party being driven through the streets of the city by the "Mayor," who has a reputation throughout the State as an expert whip. Horses are his hobby, and he has a well appointed stable of thoroughbreds.

It was reported some time ago that the auto fever had seized upon the Mayor, and he was about to dispose of his stable, but when the time came to part with his pets his heart failed him and they are still wearing the Sickel livery.

The title "Mayor" has clung to Mr. Sickel since he occupied that position in 1898, and by it he is best known. Mr. Sickel is one of the firm of the United and Globe Rubber Company, and his reputation as a manufacturer is extensive.



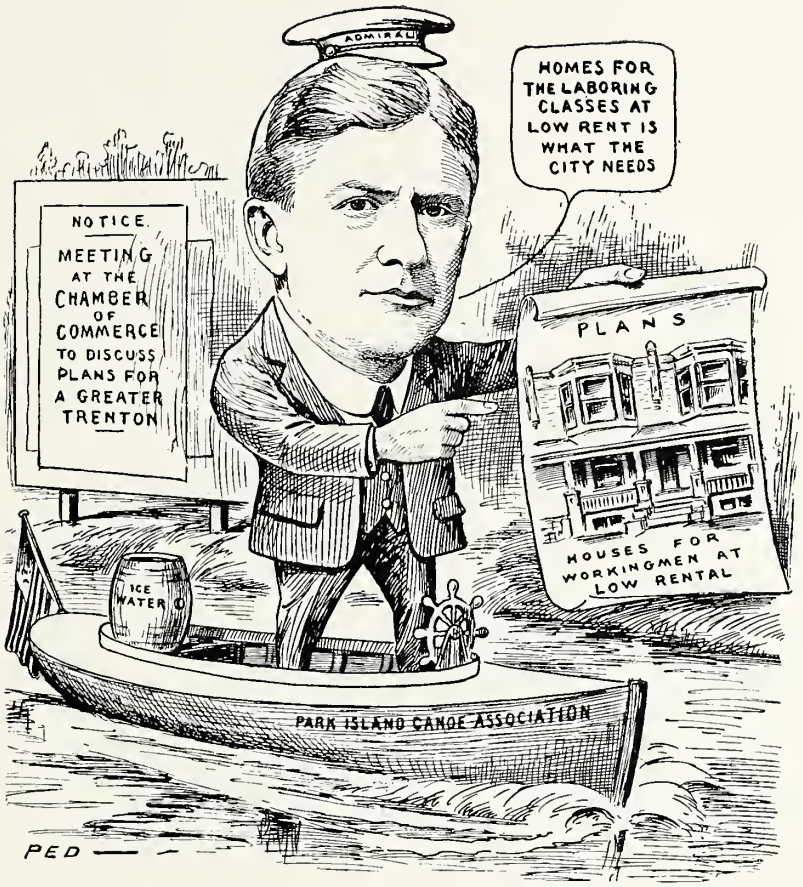
CHARLES HOWELL COOK.

One of the "Cook boys," each of whom have stamped themselves indelibly upon the business history of Trenton.

Charles Howell, as he is frequently called, due to the fact that there are other "Charlie" Cooks in Trenton, is at the head of the Cook Pottery Company, the Prospect Hill Pottery and also interested in other industries of Trenton.

He is essentially business, but finds time now and then to devote a few hours toward the gratification of his chief hobby, raising blooded cattle. This is not a channel for spending money, as most persons would imagine, for Mr. Cook has too much of a business head for that, but instead it contributes to his income and gratifies his hobby as before stated.

Mr. Cook is also a Director of the Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit Company. In politics he adheres to Republican principles and has always been a strong adherent of the protection and tariff policies in National affairs.

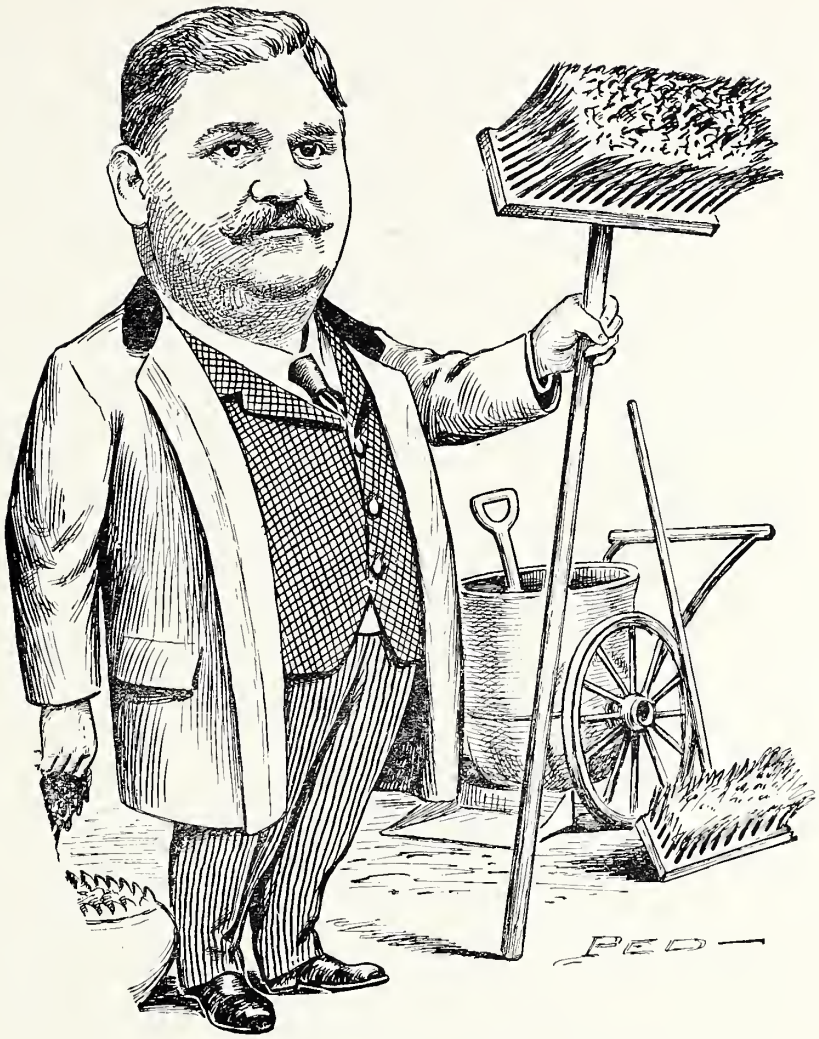


FREDERICK W. DONNELLY.

One of the most progressive of Trenton's young merchants. Mr. Donnelly is the son of the late General Richard A. Donnelly, and succeeded his father in the clothing business. "The Donnelly Store" is known far and wide, and through the energetic efforts of "Fred" the reputation of this haberdashery is becoming more extensive.

Mr. Donnelly is one of the most active members of the Chamber of Commerce and he has made many valuable suggestions to that body for the improvement of commercial affairs of Trenton.

Socially, "Fred" is a winner. He is one of the most enthusiastic members of the Park Island Canoe Club and his reputation as a host at affairs held on "The Island" is known to every canoeist that ever paddled down the Delaware. For the past five years, however, the "Commodore" temporarily deserted the canoe and took up with a motor boat, but he declares his love for the paddles still remains.

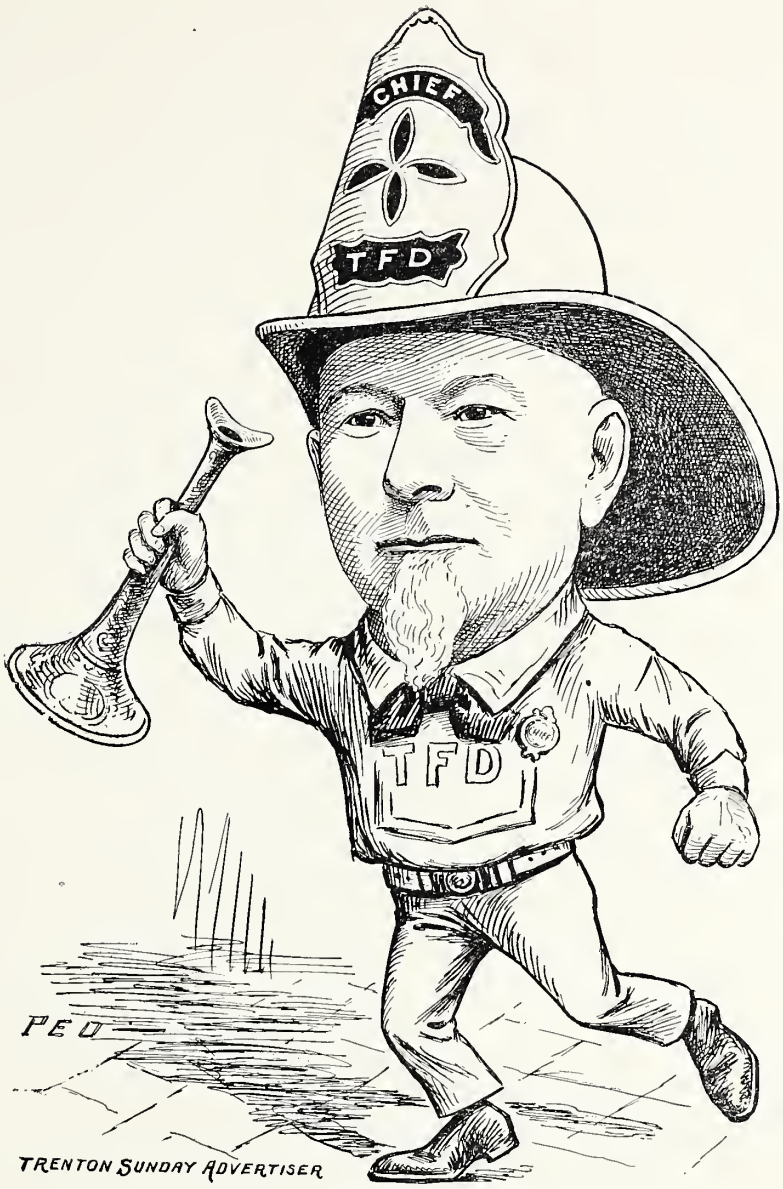


JOHN GINDER.

For over ten years Mr. Ginder held down the office of Street Commissioner. Anyone who knows "Jack" realizes that he performed his job well. Of course it wasn't all clear skies and fair weather. In fact "Jack" has often declared he had more adverse criticism than otherwise, but it was a great source of pleasure to him, when he refused a fourth term, to read the many words of praise for his good work.

Mr. Ginder is essentially a self made man. He is a potter by trade, but is at present engaged in the general contracting business. In politics he has always been a staunch Republican and has represented the people of Mercer county in the Legislature. In 1894 he was elected Street Commissioner, which position he held until 1904. During the time Mr. Ginder occupied this important position, Trenton made rapid strides and many miles of new pavements were laid under his supervision. He also inaugurated a system for cleaning the streets as a consequence of which Trenton soon ranked among the first-class cities in this respect.

Mr. Ginder has hosts of friends financially, politically and socially. He is a member of many organizations, including Trenton Lodge No. 105, B. P. O. E.



WILLIAM OSSENBERG.

Somebody once said they would rather be right than be President, but "Chief" Ossenberg has often been heard to say "I would rather be Fire Commissioner than be President," which amounts to pretty much the same thing, for "Chief" is generally right. For many years Mr. Ossenberg was a member of the "red shirt" brigade and ran with the old machine. When the old volunteer department went out of existence he was just a trifle past the age for active duty, so one of the Mayors (it occurred so long ago that no one remembers just exactly who it was) appointed him Commissioner of the Fire Department. Here he served for some years when the cruel hand of fate played him a trick and another replaced him in the year 1908. But "Uncle Bill" is young yet and still "'as 'opes."

Mr. Ossenberg fought battles as well as fires and is well known among the members of the Grand Army for his valiant services in the Civil War. He was a member of the New Jersey Legislature, too—in fact he has represented his city and county so often and been so active in public affairs that he declares he is enjoying the brief rest from his civic labors.

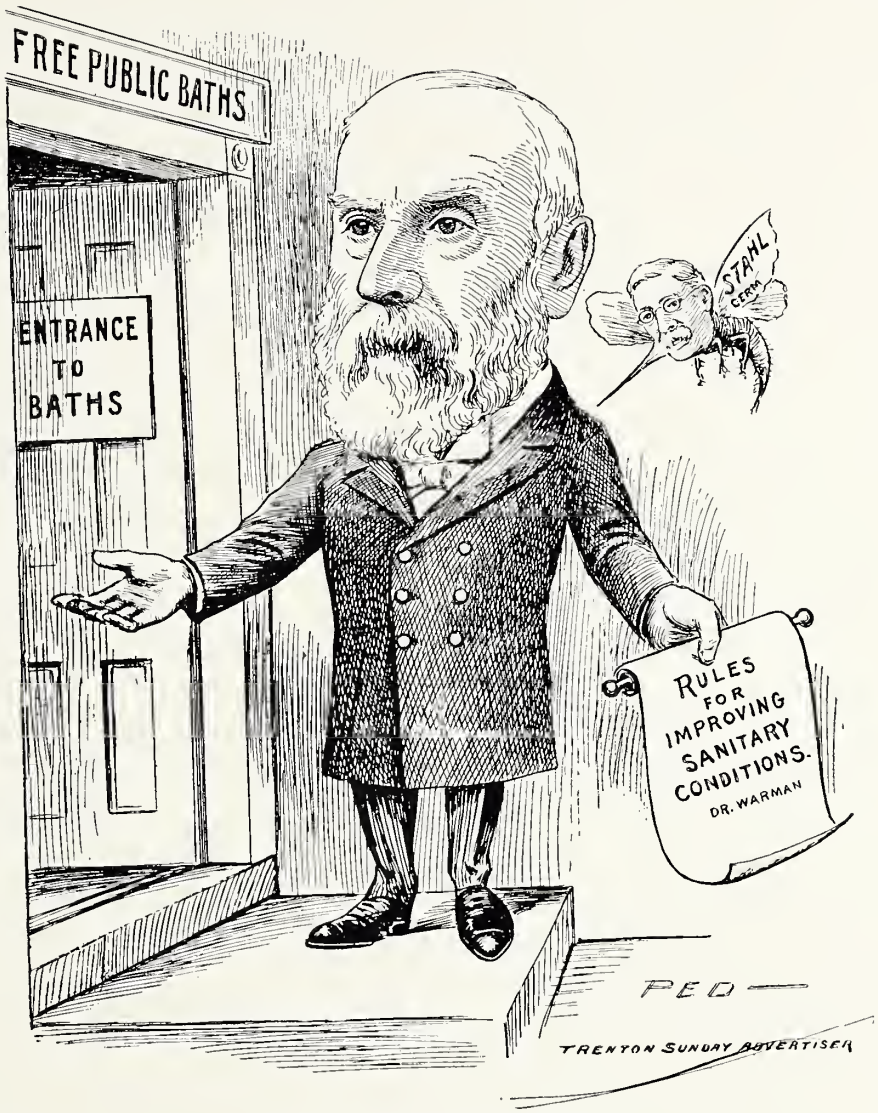
REV. CHARLES H. ELDER.

Pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church and known as "The Marrying Parson." Doctor Elder has been stationed at Trinity Church for over eight years, and during that period he has united more couples than any other minister in Trenton.

In fact the doctor's genial manner when officiating, has been communicated by so many married ones to their young friends bent upon the same course, it is rumored, that Cupid and the genial doctor have formed an alliance to cure this sort of heart trouble.

Work is Doctor Elder's chief occupation and his vacations are few and far between. He can always be found visiting the sick and deserving, and during the time he has occupied the pulpit of Trinity Church wonderful strides have been made in extending its field of usefulness.

Dr. Elder is a great temperance man, and a few years ago he was a candidate for Excise Commissioner on the Prohibition ticket. So great was his popularity that Democrats and Republicans vied with each other in securing votes for him, as a consequence of which, although unsuccessful, he was the sixth highest man in the city.



DR. DAVID WARMAN.

Dr. David Warman is one of Trenton's best-known physicians of the old school. For many years he engaged in active practice, but to-day he is enjoying a well-earned rest, though still returning occasionally to his work.

He has made himself widely known throughout the city by his years of continued efforts to secure free public baths for Trenton. The doctor is a firm believer in the saying that "Cleanliness is next to Godliness," and much of his spare time has been spent in advocating the erection of at least one up-to-date public bath. He does not believe, however, in the floating bath proposed by others of our citizens, and has defended his pet project repeatedly through the columns of the press of Trenton. Let us hope that the doctor's efforts in this direction may soon bear fruit.

WILBUR F. SADLER.

A recent addition to Trenton's financial and business circle, who is making his personality felt to a remarkable degree. Mr. Sadler came to Trenton about the time the Trenton Lawrenceville and Princeton Railroad was in process of building and found the field for trolley roads so abundant here that he has made this city his home ever since.

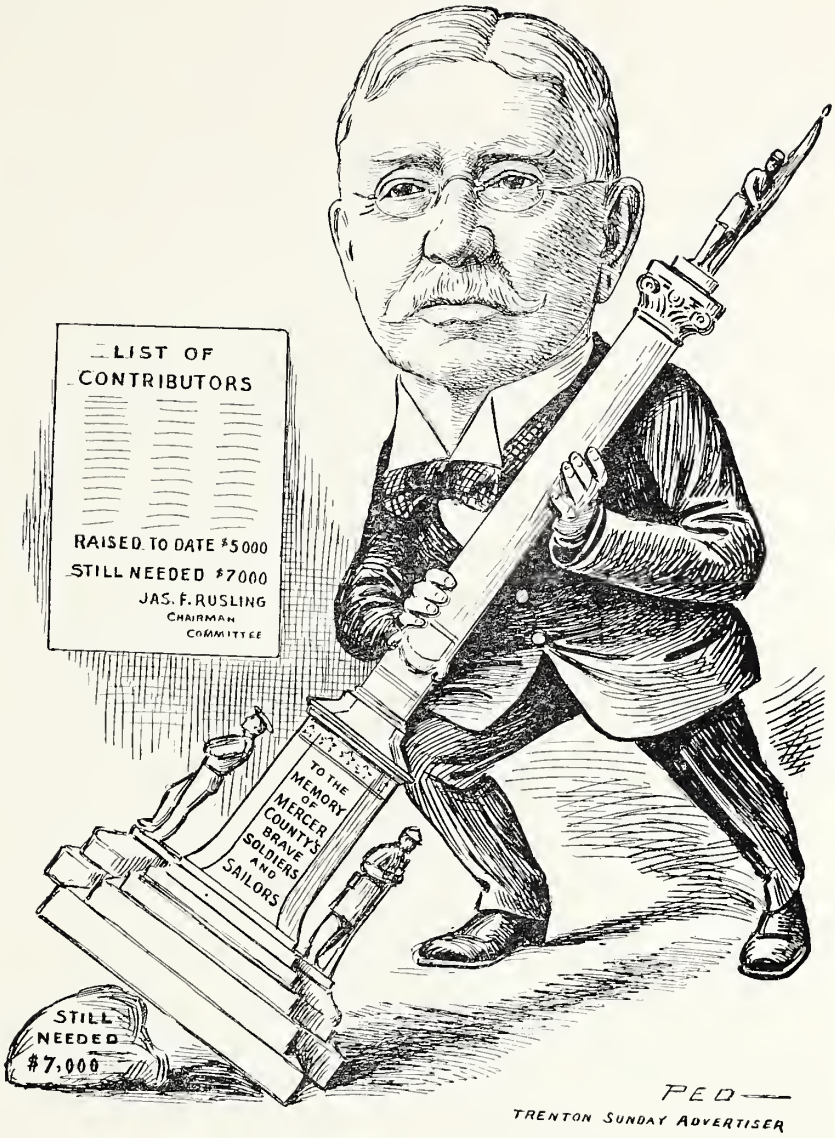
He was the principal figure in the promotion and building of the roads known as the Johnson lines and also the Trenton and Bristol Company.

Mr. Sadler has taken great interest in the city's welfare and was President of the reorganized Chamber of Commerce, during which period the membership was increased from almost nothing to upwards of 700.

Automobiles are his fad and he is never happy unless he is spinning over the good roads of the State looking after the interests of the autoists connected with the New Jersey Automobile Association, of which organization he is an active member.

Mr. Sadler is a member of the Country Club and an enthusiastic golf player, musician, rifle shot and billiard player.

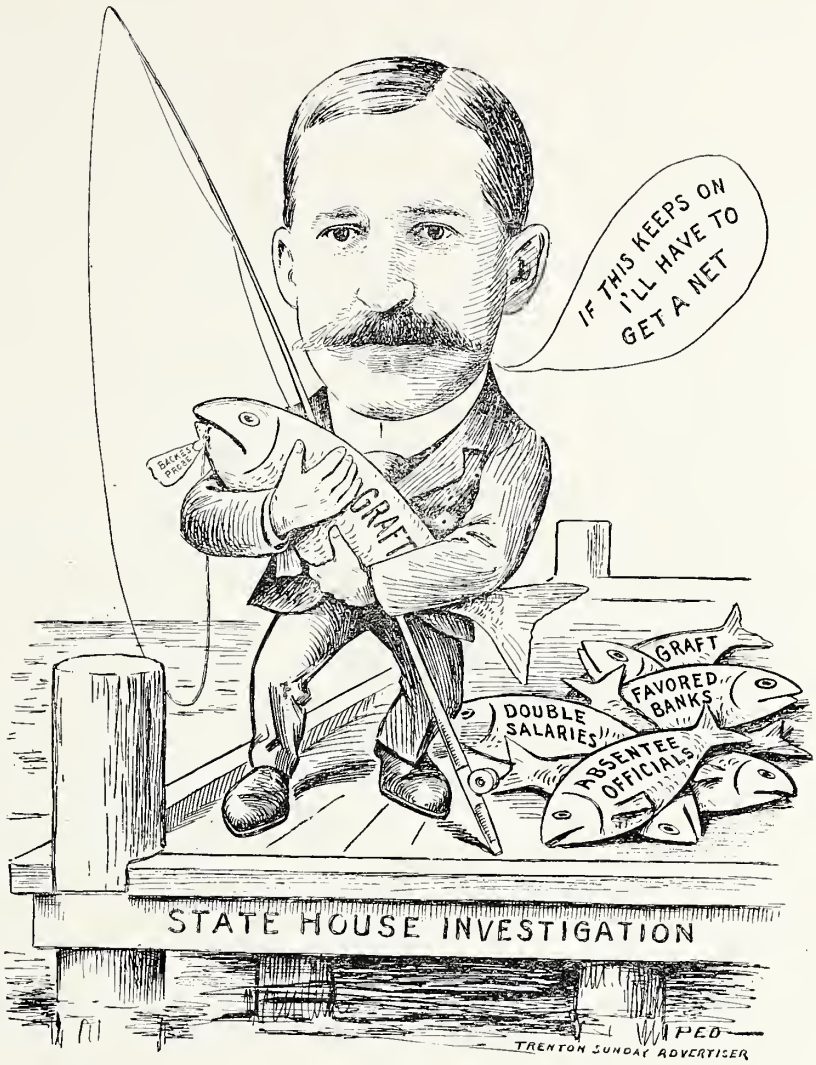
He is a son of Wilbur F. Sadler, Sr., President Judge of the Courts of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania.



JAMES F. RUSLING.

When the Mercer County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument is completed, it will not only be a memorial to our soldiers and sailors who fought for the flag, but it will also mark the fruition of the indefatigable work of General James F. Rusling. The Monument Association was incorporated in 1891, and he was elected president, and has been its active spirit ever since. The contract price for the monument is $12,500. When our cartoon was drawn he had raised $5,000. But he has since increased this to $10,500 and more.

General Rusling entered the service as First Lieutenant, Fifth New Jersey Volunteers, in 1861, and was promoted Captain, Major, Lieutenant-Colonel, Colonel, and Brevet Brigadier-General on the recommendation of Generals Mott, Sickles, Hooker, McClellan, Thomas, Sherman and Grant. He retired in 1867, having served all through the Civil War, and for two years afterwards. He is a graduate of Pennington Seminary and Dickinson College with high honors, and counselor-at-law, New Jersey and United States. He received the degree of LL.D from Dickinson College in 1890. He has been identified with Trenton enterprises, both State and church, for many years, and of course will raise the balance of money needed and erect the monument.



JOHN H. BACKES.

To write anything of interest about the subject of this cartoon would indeed be a hard task. His name and fame has spread from Maine to Florida and from Washington State to Louisiana, and then some. "Certiorari Jack," he has been irrelevantly called by some crude wit, due to the fact that, as a lawyer, obtaining writs of this character has been his frequent occupation. In his many suits at law which he conducts with great earnestness, he gets many a set back, but often he wins, and generally the case is of sufficient magnitude to attract attention.

His most recent action, which is depicted by the cartoon, was in 1907, when as counsel and chief prober for the Hahn investigating committee, he made much political capital for both parties by the manner in which he dug into the antiquated methods in vogue in the conduct of some of the institutions of the State.

Mr. Backes is recognized as one of the ablest lawyers in the State, and he deserves all the good that is said of him. He is connected with many organizations and is conceded to be a clever speaker and wit, taking a joke with the same spirit and enjoyment as he gives one.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF.

To say much about "Vee Cee" would be but to invite disaster upon one's head, for John is clever with the pen, and has a storehouse full of bright and cutting things, which he delights to hand his "friends."

The artist has remembered "Vee Cee's" habits, or rather vocations, in the picture above, and it would be difficult to say, by looking at it, whether he is pleading a case before the legal bar or inviting guests to appear before his liquor bar.

Don't understand, however, that "Vee Cee" conducts a hotel just because the artist says so. He was for a time receiver for the Hotel Sterling, and during his short term as a boniface had more fun than anything else he ever turned his hand to.

Mr. Van Cleef is a lawyer by profession, a poet through chance and a wit by nature. He makes all his money, however, at his profession, in which he ranks high.

CHARLES H. GALLAGHER.

Ex-Freeholder, ex-Excise Commissioner, member of the Democratic State Committee. Sometimes called "Commodore" but better known as "King."

Mr. Gallagher is one of the most strenuous Democrats of New Jersey. He has been actively engaged in every political battle in the city of Trenton for the past fifteen years, and hopes he may live to fight as many more, as do all his friends.

When Charley works he works, and, as the picture shows, he is an M. D., which interpreted means "mule driver." He is the proprietor of a fleet of boats engaged in the coal-carrying trade on the Delaware and Raritan canal.

His playing he lays aside until business is over and then he enjoys himself second to no man. He is a member of the Democratic League and the Trenton Press Club, and he can usually be found at the latter place busily engaged in arguing the game of hearts with his bosom friends, "Tom" Riley and Martin Devlin.

Mr. Gallagher has a wide reputation as a story-teller and wit, and his circle of friends never tire of listening to his stories.

DANIEL J. BECHTEL.

The name of Daniel J. Bechtel is engraved upon the tablets of Trenton's history as one of the most progressive mayors this city ever had. Some of our citizens call him "Dan" and others "Mayor," but perhaps the first is the name that he receives the most. "Dan" is an engraver by profession, which accounts probably for the engraving referred to in the opening paragraph. For two years, from 1890 to 1892, he was chief executive, at a time when the political difficulties of his party were somewhat strenuous. But "Dan" had ideas of his own as to how the city should be governed and he put them into practice, somewhat to the dislike of his party leaders, but greatly to his own credit and the improvement of our city.

The ex-Mayor is somewhat of a joiner, being a member of most all the secret and fraternal societies in the city, in all of which he is extremely popular. He is considerable of a wit, a clever speaker and liberal in his view upon all subjects.

PETER E. HURLEY.

Here we have the most-talked-of man in the city of Trenton. Do you miss your train? Blame it on Hurley. Is your dinner cold? Blame it on Hurley. If you catch cold standing on the corner, blame it on Hurley. In fact, so many things have been "put up" to Peter that he has adopted as his trade mark "Blame it on Me."

Peter is the general manager of the Trenton Street Railway Company, and after ten years' trying to run the road to the satisfaction of every citizen, he was compelled to give it up as a bad job, and for the past few years he has been engaged running it to the satisfaction of the stockholders.

Mr. Hurley began life in this city as the driver of one of the old "Chambersburg" hacks or 'buses. His close application to the transportation business gradually brought him to the attention of Colonel Lewis Perrine, and from the position of foreman he has steadily risen to his present responsible office.

RICHARD R. ROGERS, Jr., M.D.

Doctor "Dick" Rogers, Jr., is the son of Richard R. Rogers, Sr., one of Trenton's oldest and most respected physicians. He was born on East Hanover street, and is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, class of 1882. He studied medicine with his father and the late Dr. John Woolverton. Dr. "Dick" has been a member of the staff of St. Francis Hospital for twenty years and also city and county physician for a number of years.

Dr. Rogers was Assistant Surgeon of the old Seventh Regiment, National Guard, and when it was reorganized as the Second Regiment he was made Surgeon, from which position he was afterward promoted to be Major and Surgeon of the Second Brigade, under General Quincy O'M. Gillmore.

Dr. Rogers has an extensive practice in the city and enjoys a high reputation among the members of his profession.

LEWIS PERRINE.

The cartoon above develops but a few of the Colonel's lines in life. In his youth he was a soldier, and it is said that was the time he received his title Colonel; then he became interested in street railways. At that period when the "trolley roads" were just emerging from the unknown, the Colonel developed the system for Trenton. It took him many months to convince staid old Trenton people that a faster mode of travel was necessary, but he did it finally, and to-day they are demanding even faster service than the Colonel gave them.

Next to Peter Hurley, the Colonel has been the most-abused man in Trenton. Anybody who has ever looked after a trolley road knows the reason. But the Colonel became tired of work and sold his interest in the road to his great financial improvement, with the natural result that he bought an automobile and got mixed up in politics. He ran for Congress on the Democratic ticket, but stood for sound money on a free silver plank, with disastrous results, as a consequence of which his party forsook him and the Colonel attached himself to the Republican Club of Trenton henceforth and forever.

In 1907 he became interested in base ball and purchased the Trenton Base Ball team of the Tri-State League, which organization he conducted throughout the season with satisfaction to the general public and everybody connected therewith, and to-day stands foremost as a promoter of clean sports.

HARRY J. STOUT.

Caterer, inventor and singer. That's the trinity of accomplishments which have given Harry J. Stout a position of distinction among Trenton's best-known citizens. The vocal side of Mr. Stout's nature attracted notice long before he ever thought of catering to the interior requirements of the human system. His inventive faculties were the last but not the least to assume a process of development. Aided by the three, he has been enabled to improve the social, gastronomic and autoing comfort of his friends, to have a good time of it himself, and, incidentally, to also accumulate a fair share of the world's goods.

Mr. Stout may properly be described as the pioneer among Trenton's quick lunch proprietors. When he came here from Baltimore about fifteen years ago and opened a café at 5 East State street, it was freely predicted that he would soon find it necessary to call in the sheriff. But he was a closer judge of local eating requirements than the skeptics, for within a couple of years his business had grown to such proportions that he added the store at 7 East State street to his establishment.

Several years later his patronage had far outgrown the now cramped quarters and he moved across the street to 12 and 14 East State street. The business continued to increase and he was a few years afterwards obliged to add the restaurant at 148 East State street to his possessions. Since then he has acquired the lower floor of the building at 13 East State street, which, despite its ominous number and the fact that every previous occupant had failed to make a success of the place, has also proven to be a money-earner.

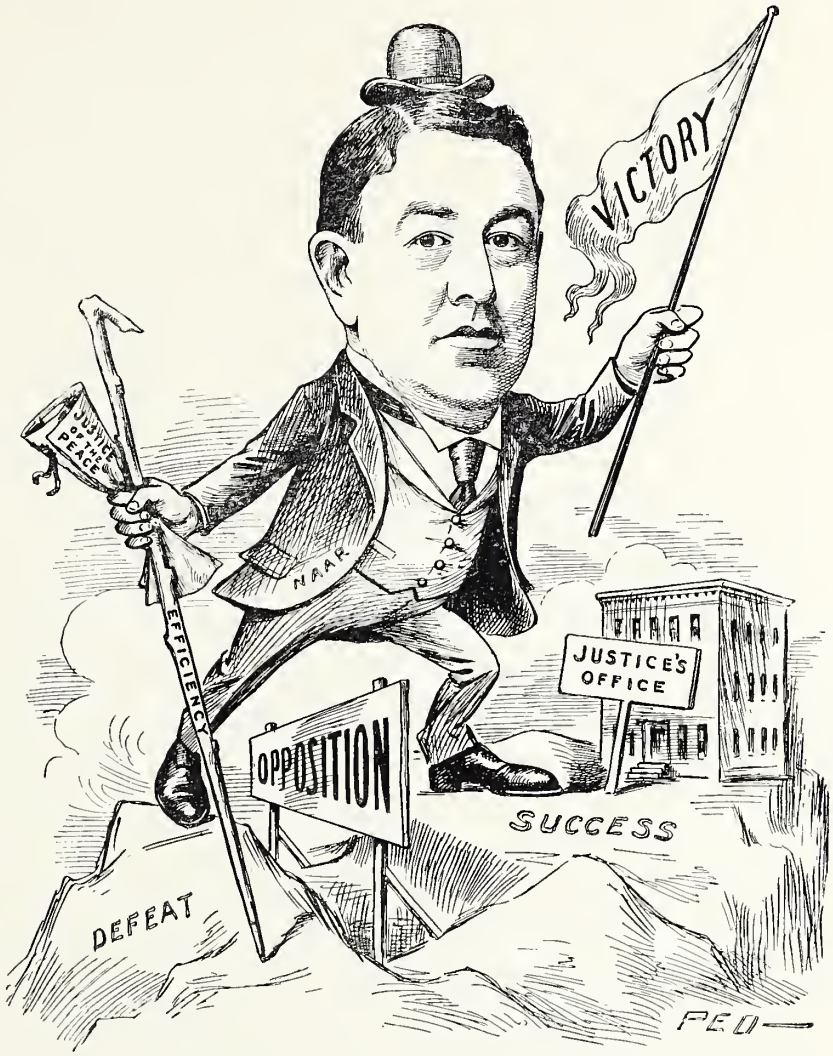
The reference to Mr. Stout's inventive capacity in the first sentence is occasioned by the fact that he has applied for a patent on a puncture-proof armor for pneumatic tires. Mr. Stout has been working on this invention for nearly a year and it has already received the warmest endorsement of auto experts from this and other cities. The arrangement is designed to protect pneumatic tires from punctures of any kind. It will, in all likelihood, be placed on the market this spring, and is expected to yield its inventor a snug income.

Mr. Stout's idea of inventing this protection for tires was prompted by the fact that he is an ardent autoist himself. Before taking up the sport he had been a lover of horseflesh, having owned a pair of cobs that were the object of admiration of every horesman in town.

CHARLES L. PATTERSON.

The "going, going, gone" cry of this versatile citizen has become known throughout Mercer county. Mr. Patterson is accounted as one of the best in the auctioneer business, but with him it is only a pastime. His regular business is real estate and insurance. He was for many years associated with the late William Hancock, and upon the latter's death succeeded to his business. One night while the genial "Charlie" was attending a fair in Masonic Temple he was seized upon by the ladies in charge and impressed into service as an auctioneer. He proved so successful that he has been at it ever since, and now his services are in such demand that he has to employ a corps of clerks to conduct his real estate business.

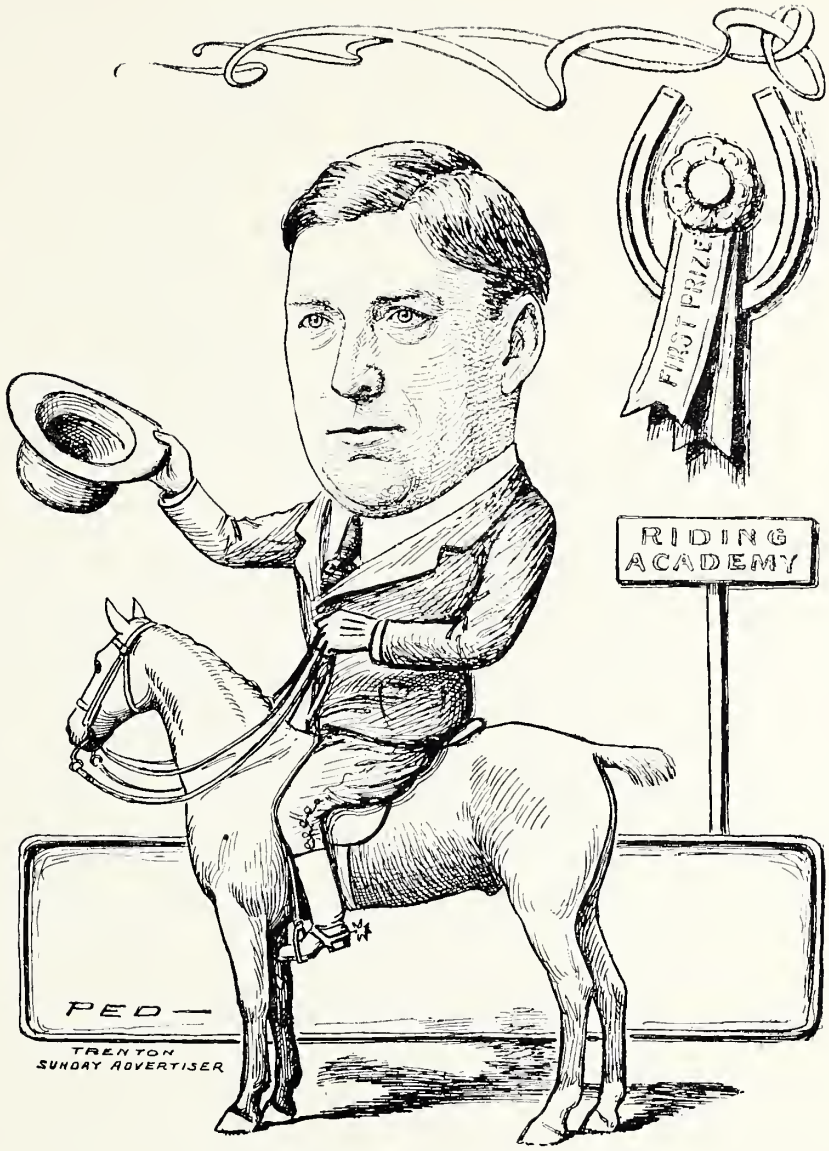
"Charlie" is a prominent and active Mason and no gathering of Masons in New Jersey is complete without him. He is an indefatigable worker and has frequently been rewarded for his efforts. He is Past Master of Trenton Lodge, No. 5.



MANFRED NAAR.

Better known as "Manny" or "Squire" Naar. A member of the well-known Naar family who have been connected with the history of Trenton for years past. Mr. Naar is one of the most progressive of Trenton's Justices of the Peace, and it is in the discharge of the duties of this office that his broadness of mind and kindness of heart have been demonstrated. Many of the cases brought before him are settled without the intervention of stern justice, a little application of "Manny's" common sense being all that is required.

In 1907 several of the political leaders in the Democratic party, to which Mr. Naar is attached, made an attempt to keep him from securing a renomination to the office which he has filled for a score of years, but he successfully combated their efforts and victory perched upon his banner, as here shown. He has been Justice of the Peace since 1888. He is 43 years of age, is married and has two children.

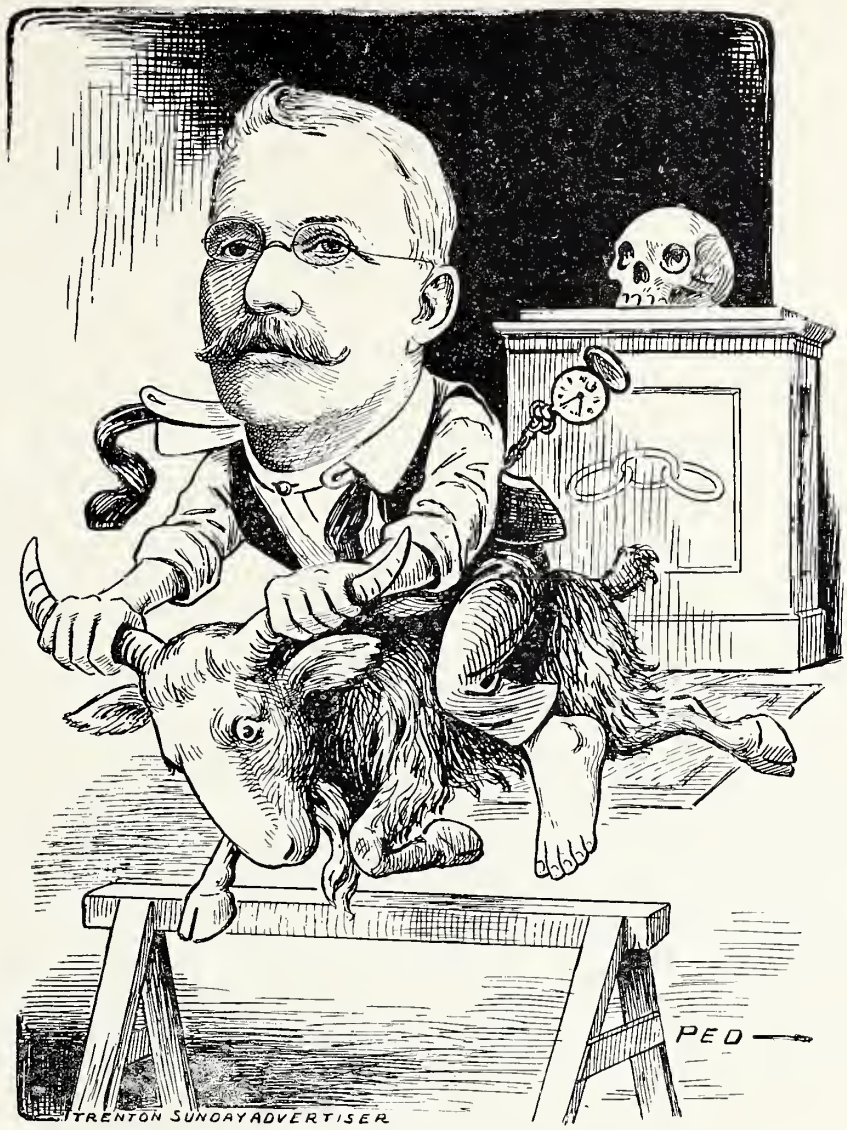


CAL. E. QUINTON.

The name of Quinton has been connected with the fine art of horsemanship in Trenton for over half a century. The late David S. was for many years the proprietor of the old mile track where Villa Park is now located, and he was widely known as a judge and trainer of thoroughbreds.

Cal. was one of a number of sons of David S. and with such training no one wonders that he has retained the love for beautiful horses which his father had.

Mr. Quinton is known far and wide and his services are in demand at every large horse show in the United States as a judge. For a number of years he conducted a riding school in this city and hundreds of Trenton's prominent citizens owe their riding ability to his teaching.



GEORGE H. POULSON.

George H. Poulson ought to make an ideal rough-rider. He has tackled a wide variety of goats since 1873, when he affiliated himself for the first time with a secret society, and yet he seems to have thrived as a result of his various experiences. No person in Trenton perhaps has been more active in lodge affairs than Mr. Poulson. He is connected with seven organizations and has gone through the chairs of all of them except three.

America Council, No. 107, O. U. A. M., was the first secret society with which Mr. Poulson became connected. That was shortly after the council's formation in 1873. Only three of the gentlemen then identified with the council are still associated with it, and one of them is Mr. Poulson. In 1885 he became an Odd Fellow and then he joined the following bodies in the order named: Camp No. 6, P. O. S. of A.; Trenton Council, No. 90, Jr. O. U. A. M.; Capital City Council, No. 20, Daughters of Liberty; Roebling Council, National Union, and Ashlar Lodge, No. 76, F. and A. M.

In addition to having gone through the chairs of all these societies, save the P. O. S. of A., D. of L. and Masons, Mr. Poulson has served as national vice councilor and national councilor of the O. U. A. M. He was elected to the former office at the national convention in Richmond, Va., in 1900, and the next year at Hartford, Conn., he was chosen national councilor.

Mr. Poulson, in conjunction with Jedediah Coleman, conducts one of the largest undertaking and embalming establishments in the city.

PATRICK T. POWERS.

One of Trenton's successful citizens whom the boys delight to call "Pat." He is one of the few men who have made clean sports his hobby, and made it a success in more ways than one.

Base ball and foot-raeing have divided his time and he has conducted some of the largest affairs of this kind in the history of sporting circles.

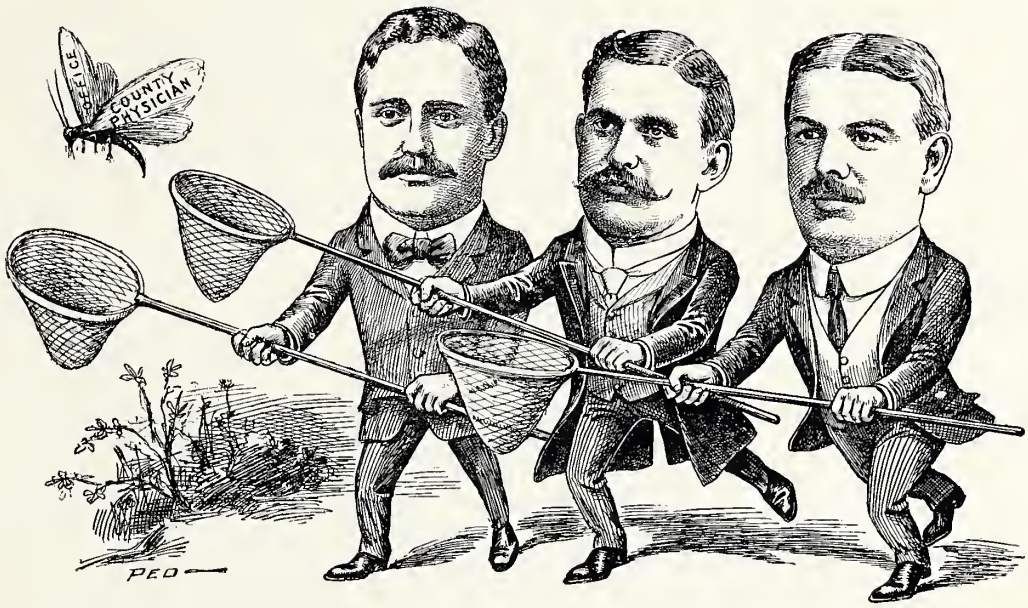
In 1906 he was elected president of the Eastern League of Base Ball Clubs and he managed this association successfully that year. Internal dissensions, however, caused his temporary retirement in 1907, but he is again back "on the job," as well as acting in a similar capacity for the Minor League of America.

Political Cartoons

During recent campaigns many interesting cartoons have been published illustrating the progress of events political. They are here reproduced that these past political battles may be more easily remembered by those interested.

IRA WELLS WOOD. J. ALLEN SOUTHWICK.

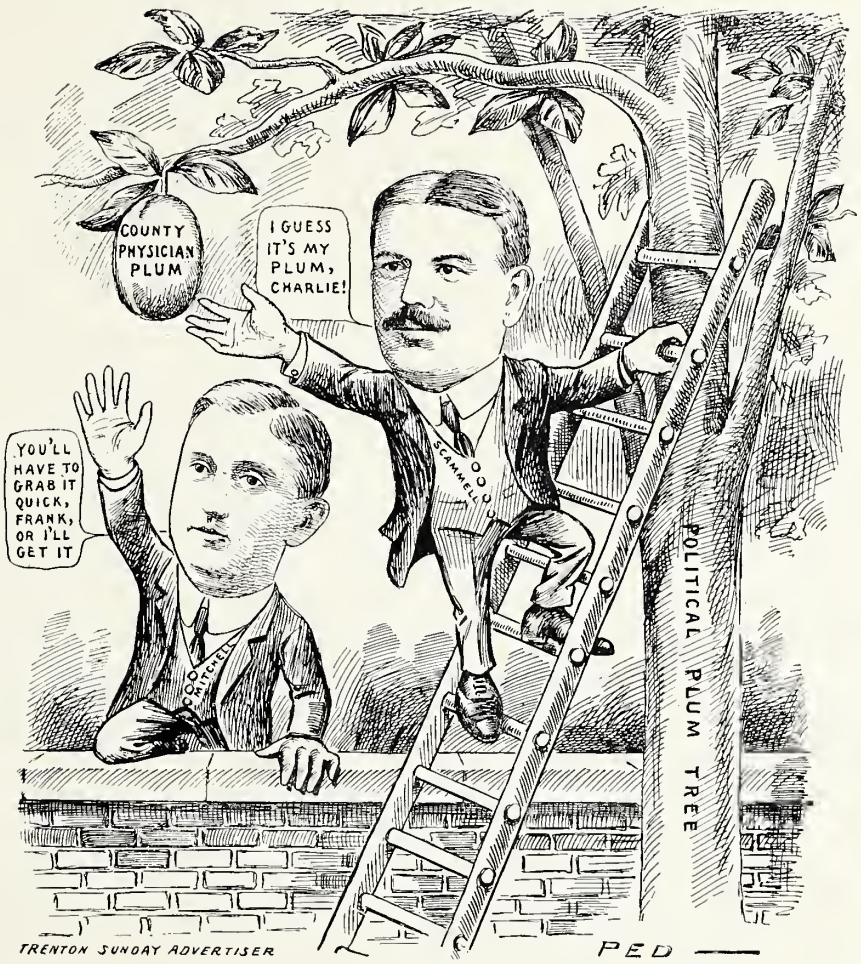
Victor and vanquished. Messrs. Southwick and Wood, both personal and close friends, residing in the same ward of the same city, were opponents in 1906 for Congress in the Fourth District. Mr. Wood was successful, but the friendship is still as lasting as ever. Both men have served the city in Common Council, Mr. Southwick having broken the long line of Republican victories in the First ward, when, in 1905, he was the first Democrat elected to Council from the First ward in a quarter of a century.



DR. PAUL L. CORT. DR. DAVID H. WEEKS. DR. FRANK G. SCAMMELL.

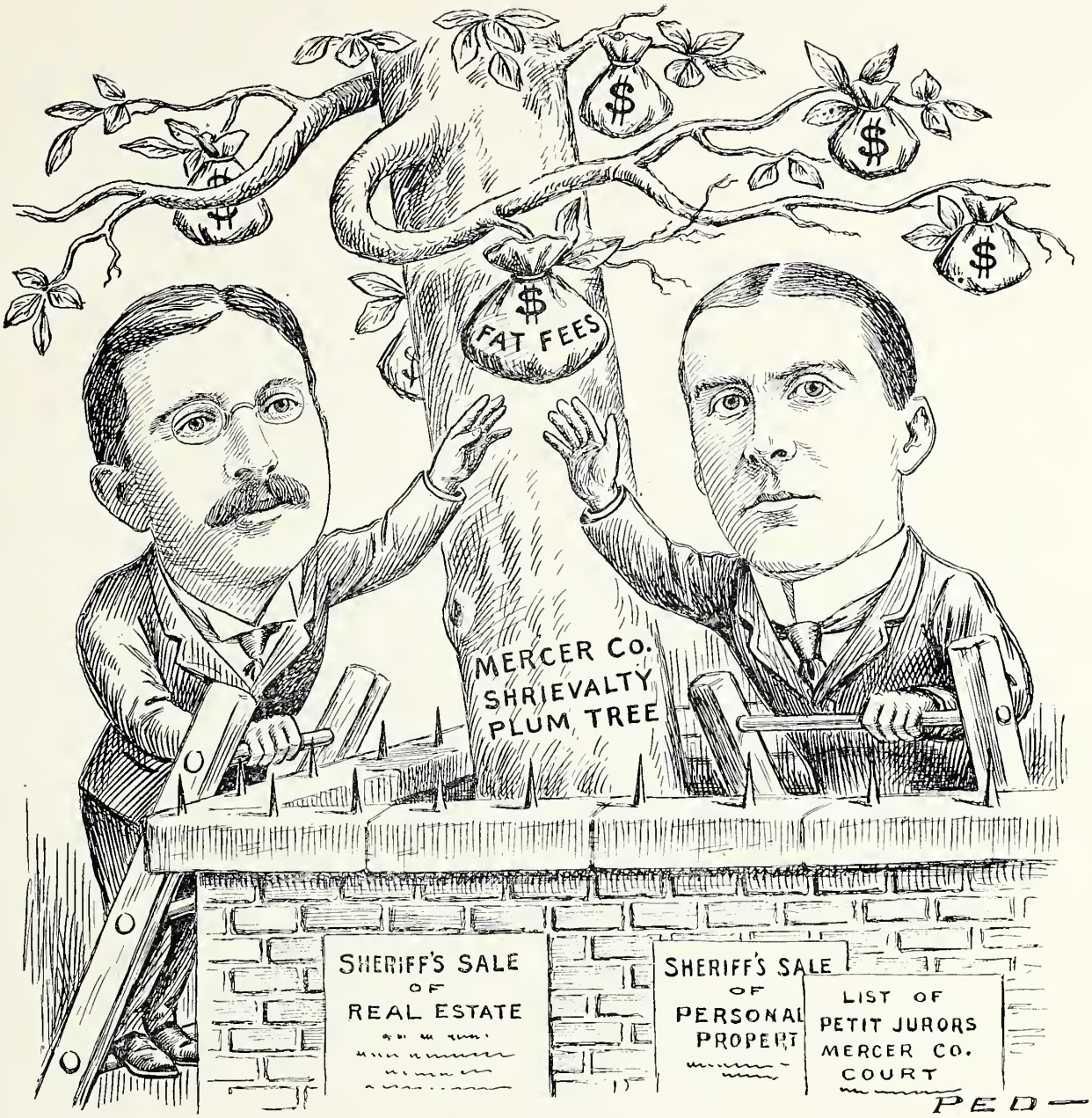
Three of Trenton's most popular and active physicians. All are of the younger element in the profession, and, as the cartoon shows, are active in politics. Dr. Scammell landed the butterfly which all are so eager to capture, but both of the others secured similar prizes. Dr. Weeks was appointed medical director of the State Epileptic Village and Dr. Cort was elected to Common Council from the Second ward. The latter job has no salary connected with it, as the other two have, but Dr. Cort says he is willing to serve his city first and take chances for a substantial reward in the shape of some good position in later years.

In the meantime they are all happy, continue good friends and make capable public officials.



CHARLES H. MITCHELL. FRANK G. SCAMMELL.

Two young physicians interested in politics on the Republican side. Both were seekers for further preferment in 1907, Dr. Mitchell being at that time member of council from the Third ward, and Dr. Scammell City Physician. Dr. Mitchell withdrew from the contest and thereby assured Dr. Scammell's success.



WILLIAM L. WILBUR. **JOSEPH D. HOFF.**

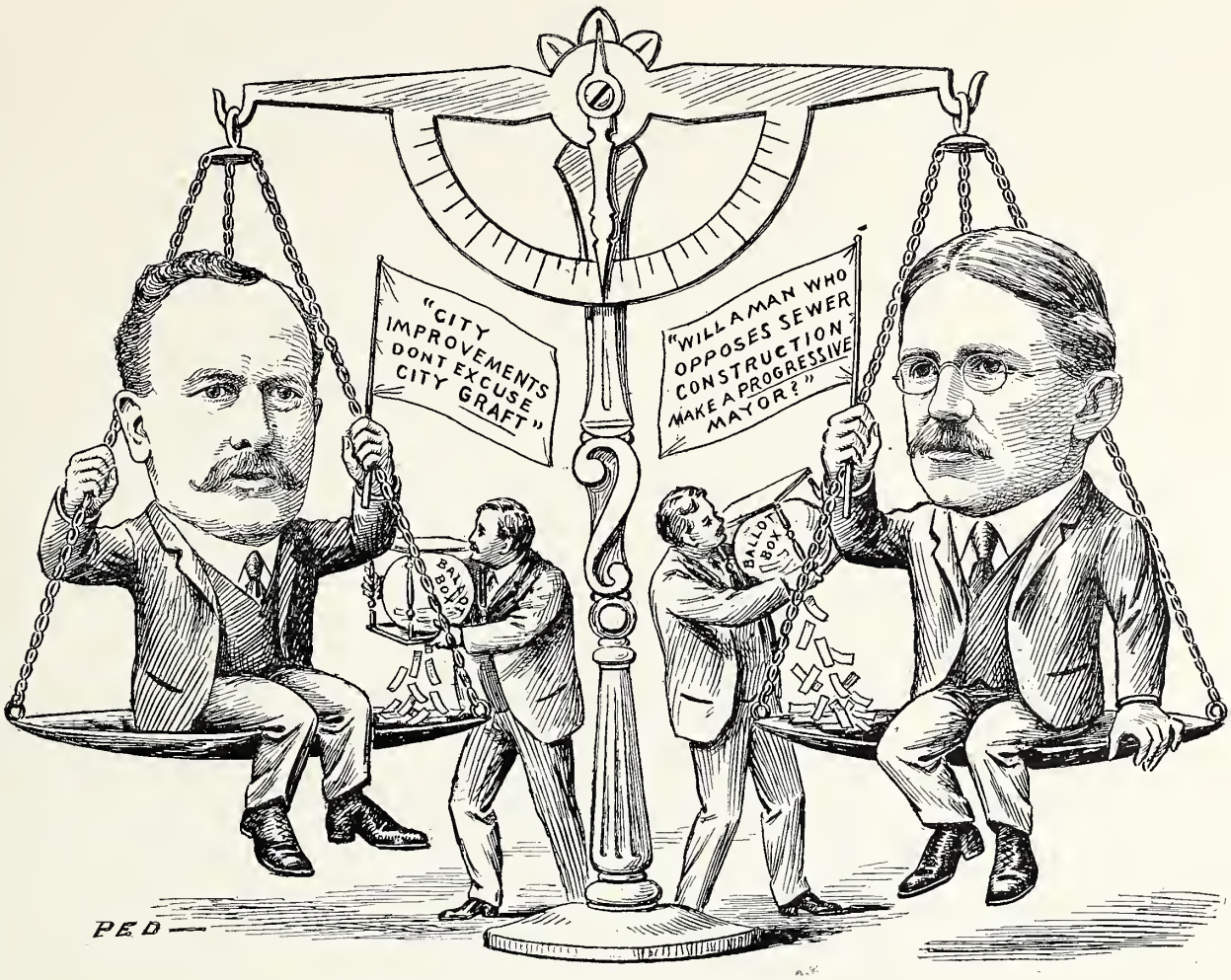
Published upon the occasion of the Shrievalty contest between these two gentlemen in 1905. This election was one of the most strenuous of recent years, made so by the extreme popularity of both candidates.

The odds, so far as normal Republican majority was concerned, were in favor of Dr. Wilbur, and he was successful.

Mr. Hoff is a Princetonian, and has been a candidate on numerous occasions upon the Democratic ticket. His popularity extends throughout the country districts of the county and he is always looked upon as a dangerous rival.

Dr. Wilbur hails from Hightstown, and he has met the enemy on the political battlefield upon more than one occasion, having represented Mercer county in the House of Assembly for two years.

The promises of his many friends have been fulfilled since he has occupied the office and he is "making good."



ROBERT A. MESSLER. **FREDERICK W. GNICHTEL.**

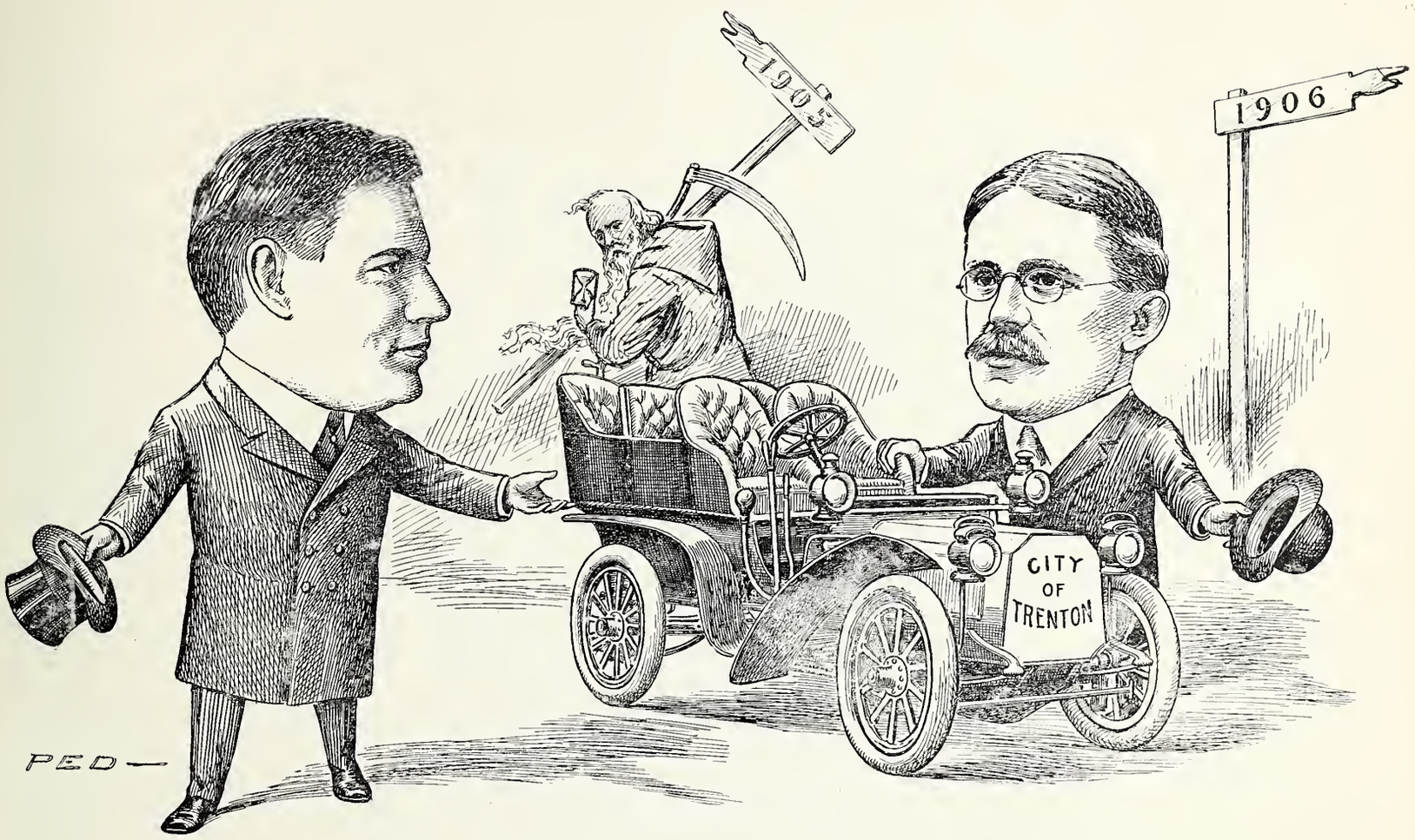
This cartoon was published a few weeks previous to the election at which these two prominent citizens were candidates for Mayor. Mr. Messler, as everyone knows, is a Democrat, while Mr. Gnichtel espouses Republican principles.

The man dumping votes in the right hand side of the balances secured more for Mr. Gnichtel than Mr. Messler's aide could, as a consequence of which Mr. Gnichtel presided over the destinies of Room 13 in the City Hall for two years. This room is a hoodoo. No man who ever occupied it, since it has been numbered 13, has ever succeeded himself and Mr. Gnichtel was too wise to tempt fate in that manner when his term expired in 1908.

During his term as Mayor he gave much of his time to the affairs of his office, but in his usual quiet, unassuming manner, and many of his good deeds were accomplished without the blare of trumpets or the blaze of fireworks.

Previous to his election as Chief Executive, he served four years in Common Council, three years as Chairman of the Finance Committee, where he demonstrated his usefulness and worth to the citizens who elected him. Mr. Gnichtel is a lawyer by profession.

Mr. Messler, although defeated for the Mayoralty, still pursues life in his usual manner and does not appear to have lost any sleep over his defeat. In 1908 he was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce, and is actively engaged in urging new industries to settle in Trenton. He is a member of the firm of Murray, Griffith & Messler and is also an active member of the Y. M. C. A. and several church organizations.

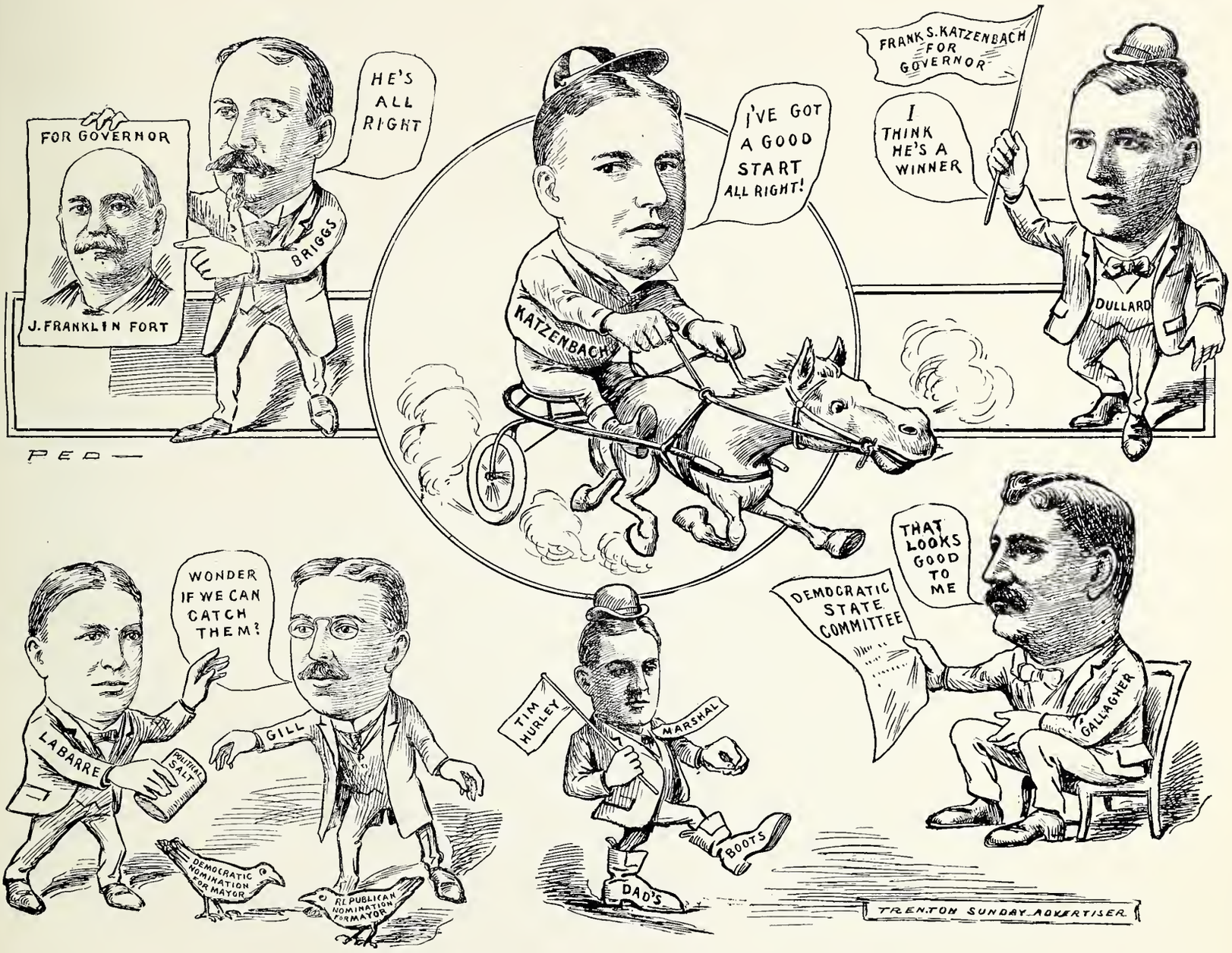


FRANK S. KATZENBACH, JR. **FREDERICK W. GNICHTEL.**

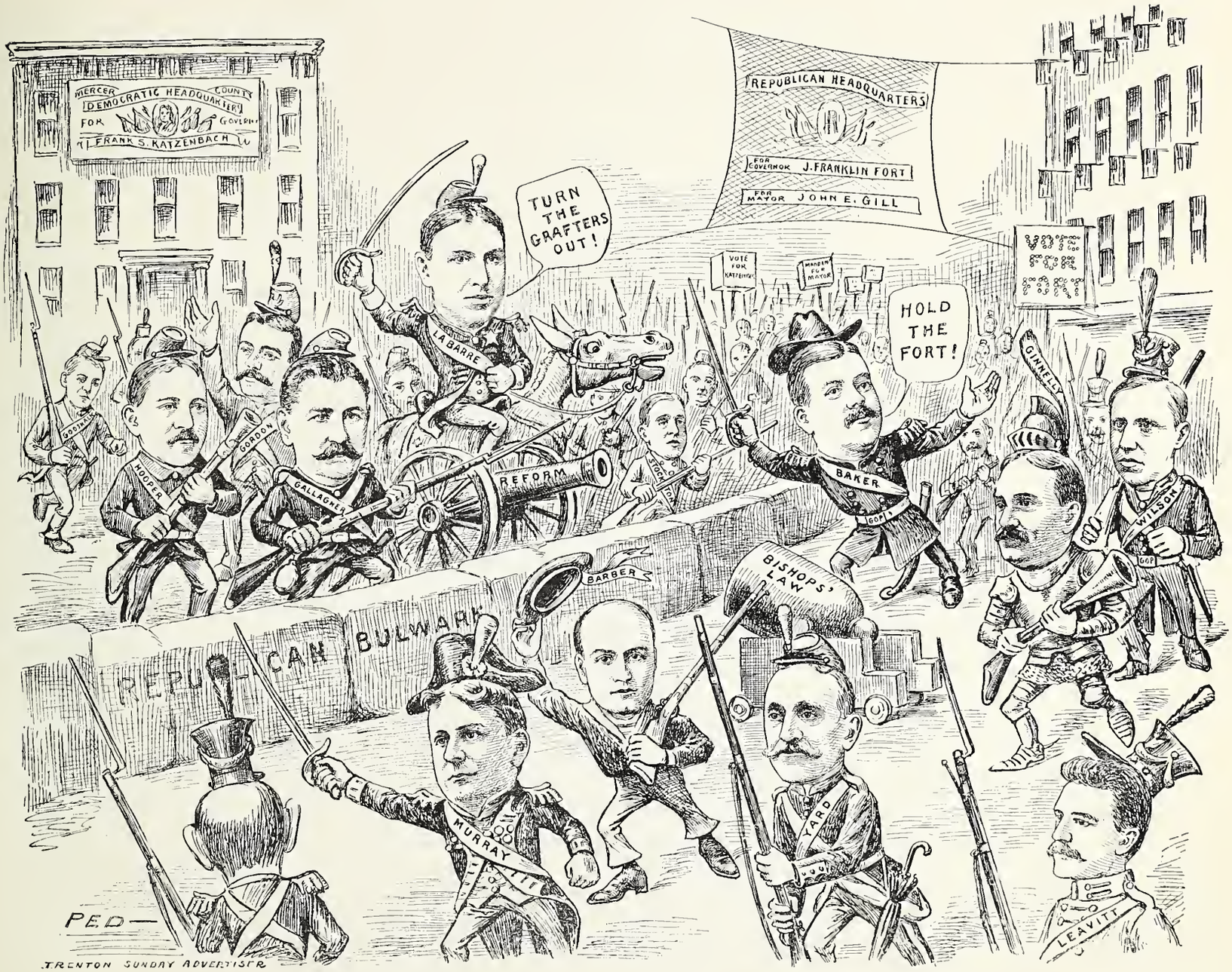
Depicting the turning over of the "machine" of Trenton by the former Mayor to the Mayor-elect, January 1st, 1906.

THE WISE ONES.

Each expressed his desire and received it—but Stockton.



THE RACE FOR PLACES.



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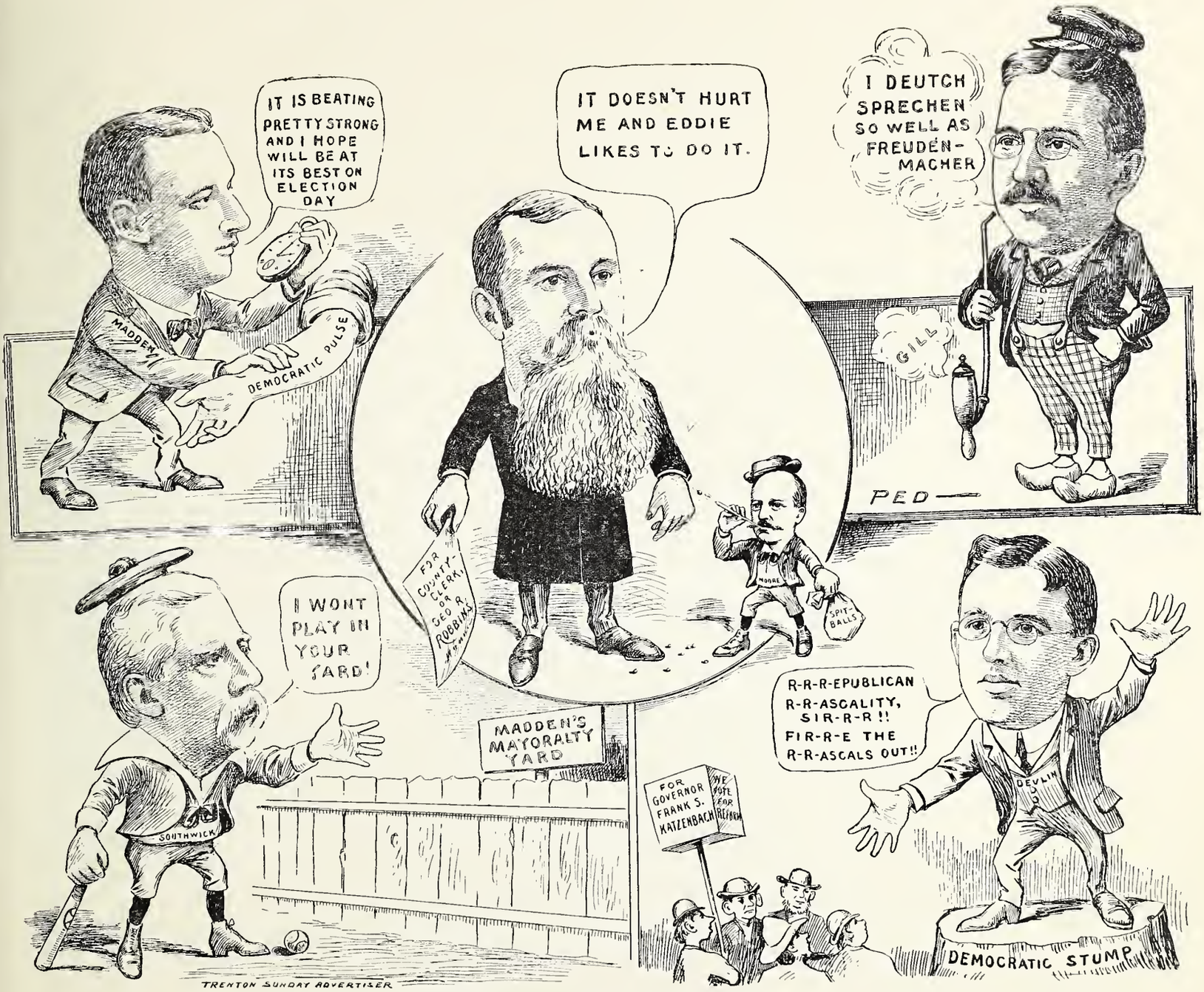

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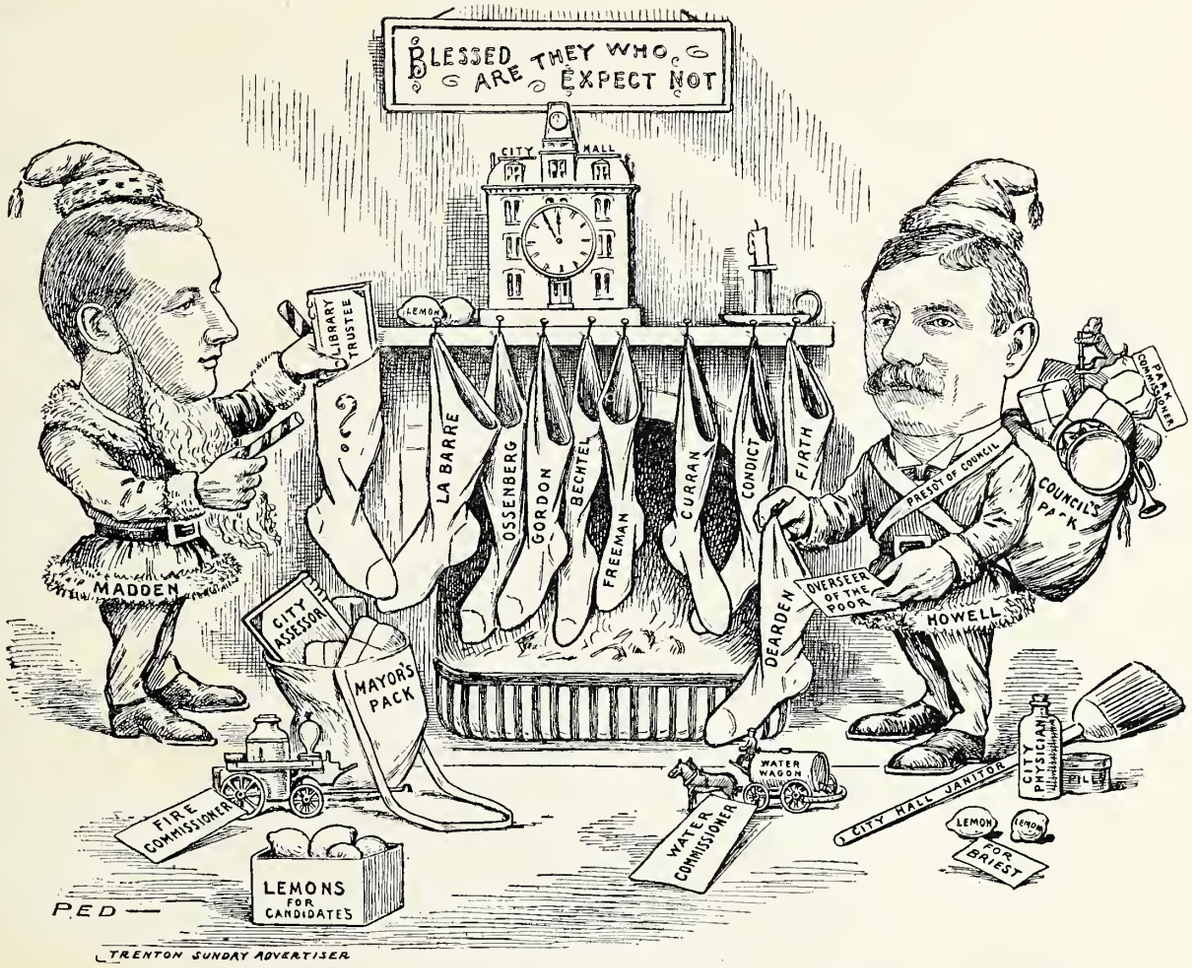

MAYOR MADDEN. **PRESIDENT HOWELL.**

These two officials had some patronage to dispense on January 1st, 1908, hence the cartoon.